

St George Hospital

Peritoneal Dialysis Newsletter

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*Wishing you all a
Safe and Happy Christmas
and a Wonderful New Year!*

Cheers,

Claire, Emma, Fiona & Maria



Please check and ensure you have enough dialysis and dressing stock including back-up stock for Christmas and New Year holiday

Baxter will be CLOSED

From 25th to 28th December 2020

and

1st January 2021

SGH PD unit will be CLOSED

From 23rd December 2020 to 3rd January 2021

The PD unit will have reduced staff & service

from 21 - 22 December 2020

and again from 3 - 8 January 2021

You must ring for an appointment to visit the PD unit. If you are unwell or have contaminated your

PD catheter or have cloudy drain fluid, please present yourself immediately to the emergency department.

Thank you for your cooperation!

St George Hospital
Renal Care Centre
9 South St. Kogarah
Monday-Friday
7:30am–4:00pm



Contact us

02 9113 3770

“It is our attitude at the beginning of a difficult task which, more than anything else, will affect its successful outcome.”

WILLIAM JAMES

Quick Guide for Leaky or Faulty CAPD Bag

Lately there's been some reports of leaking or faulty dialysis bag. Here's an easy to follow guide on what to do in case you encounter a leaking or faulty dialysis bag at home:

1. Stop dialysis & disconnect yourself immediately from the leaking or faulty dialysis bag.
2. Do not discard the leaky or faulty dialysis bag. Keep it aside to be picked up by Baxter.
3. Call the PD nurses during office hours or 4 South nurses after—hours or during PD unit closure) to report the incident & provide the details of the leaking or faulty dialysis bag:

- Date & time of incident
- Bag strength
- Bag volume
- Batch number
- Expiry date
- Total number of dialysis bags/boxes you have at home with the same batch number as the leaky or faulty dialysis bag



***Note:** PD nurses or 4S nurses will report the incident to the renal doctor/s. You may be asked to come in to the hospital for PD fluid culture or decontamination to check for & prevent peritonitis.*

4. **Do not use** dialysis bags/boxes you have at home with the same batch number as the leaky or faulty dialysis bag – these stocks must be collected and replaced by Baxter ASAP.
5. Call Christine Hannaford from Baxter ph 0447 026 640 to report faulty or leaky dialysis bag and to arrange for faulty/leaky bag collection & replacement of affected stocks. Leave a message if no answer, Christine will call you back when she's available.

***Note:** Pick up of faulty/defective bag should occur within 24 hours*

***Note:** Replacement of affected stocks should occur within 48 hours*

***Note:** Once you are on antibiotic treatment, make sure you are also on Nilstat drops or tablets to prevent PD-related fungal infection. Call the PD nurses or your kidney doctor for more information.*