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**PERITONEAL DIALYSIS CATHETER (PDC) – BREAK-IN MANAGEMENT FOR PATIENTS
REQUIRING URGENT PERITONEAL DIALYSIS WITH NEWLY INSERTED PDC**

<p>Cross references</p>	<p>SGH CLIN 345 Peritoneal Dialysis – Inpatient Management</p> <p>Renal SGH WPI APD Set-up and Connection Procedure – HomeChoice Dialysis Machine</p> <p>SGH CLIN379 Intraperitoneal Actilyse (Alteplase) Administration</p> <p>SGH CLIN380 Intraperitoneal Heparin Administration</p> <p>SGH CLIN381 Intraperitoneal Potassium Administration</p> <p>Renal SGH WPI Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter post-insertion exit site care</p> <p>Renal SGH WPI Peritoneal Dialysis – Small Flush on a Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter</p> <p>Renal Flowchart Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter: Management of Poor Flow/No Flow</p> <p>Renal SGH WPI APD Disconnection with Opticap Procedure</p> <p>Renal SGH WPI APD End of Therapy and Disconnection Procedure – HomeChoice Dialysis Machine</p> <p>Renal SGH Clin364 PDC – Heparin lock</p> <p>SGH Renal Department: https://stgrenal.org.au/dialysis</p>
<p>1. Purpose</p>	<p>To ensure the break-in management of newly inserted PDCs is performed according to best practice guidelines reducing the risk of post-insertion complications or infection and ensuring patient safety</p>

Background

Newly-inserted PDCs are rested for 2-3 weeks due to risks of PDC related complications (i.e. bleeding, blockage or leakage) and infection. However, some patients require dialysis urgently post insertion.

Low fill volume is the recommended break-in peritoneal dialysis (PD) regimen for new PDCs to reduce post-insertion complications and infection:

Therapy: CCPD/IPD
Total Volume: 24000mls

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Fill volume: 1000mls
Last fill: 0ml
Therapy time: 24 to 48 hours

2. Process

- 2.1 Patient is to be admitted or transferred and should remain in 4South for the break-in PD therapy for close monitoring
- 2.2 Upon admission in 4S, ward nurse should attend to and document routine observations and weight
Note: Weight should be attended before every dialysis bag change or replacement
- 2.3 Ward nurse to notify the renal and PD team upon patient's arrival to the ward
- 2.4 Renal team to complete admission documentation (if necessary), fluid assessment and predialysis bloods i.e. FBC, UEC including serum potassium
- 2.5 PD nurse and renal team to complete the PD order form specifying dialysis strength, fluid removal and additives required
- 2.6 Ward nurse to attend to inpatient care and dialysis as per [SGH CLIN 345 Peritoneal Dialysis – Inpatient Management](#)
- 2.7 Commence break-in PD therapy immediately as per [Renal SGH WPI APD Set-up and Connection Procedure – HomeChoice Dialysis Machine](#)
- 2.8 Administer intraperitoneal potassium as per [SGH CLIN381 Intraperitoneal Potassium Administration](#)
- 2.9 Administer intraperitoneal heparin as per [SGH CLIN380 Intraperitoneal Heparin Administration](#)
- 2.10 Ward nurse to monitor:
 1. Midline abdominal wound and PDC exit site for signs of bleeding and leakage whilst on dialysis
 2. Bowel movement. Give laxative or aperients to relieve constipation i.e. lactulose, bisacodyl and/or coloxyl with senna
 3. Fluid balance. Ascertain current fluid restriction and target fluid removal
- 2.11 For break-in PD therapy **without** complications: Continue break-in PD regimen for 72 hours then titrate to higher fill volumes until 2 Litre fill volume is achieved.
- 2.12 For break-in PD therapy with complications:
 1. **For leaking PDC exit site** – stop dialysis, notify the PD team and renal team, change dressing as per [Renal SGH WPI PDC post-insertion exit site care](#), rest PDC for 24-48 hours then resume same break-in PD regimen
 2. **For persistently leaking PDC exit site** – stop dialysis, notify the vascular surgeon, PD team and renal team, change dressing as per [Renal SGH WPI PDC post-insertion exit site care](#), rest PDC for 2 – 3 weeks with weekly small flushes as per [Renal SGH WPI PD – Small Flush on a PDC](#)
 3. **For bleeding PDC exit site** – stop dialysis, change dressing as per [Renal SGH WPI PDC post-insertion exit site care](#), notify the vascular surgeon, PD team and renal team to decide duration of PDC rest
 4. **For presence of fibrin** – notify the PD team and renal team administer intraperitoneal (IP) heparin as per [SGH CLIN380 PD – IP Heparin administration](#)

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5. **For blocked or poor flowing PDC** – stop dialysis, notify the vascular surgeon, PD team and renal team, and manage PDC issue as per [PDC: Management of Poor Flow/No Flow flowchart](#) and/or [SGH CLIN379 Intraperitoneal Actilyse \(Alteplase\) Administration](#)
- 2.13 Adjustment of fill volume and break-in PD regimen will be decided between the vascular surgeon, PD team and renal team based on patient's clinical condition
- 2.14 Disconnect patient during break-in PD therapy as per [Renal SGH WPI APD Disconnection with Opticap Procedure](#)
- 2.15 Upon completion of break-in PD therapy, disconnect patient from dialysis machine as per [Renal SGH WPI APD End of Therapy and Disconnection Procedure – HomeChoice Dialysis Machine](#)
- 2.16 After disconnection, heparin lock new PDC to maintain patency as per [Renal SGH Clin364 PDC – Heparin lock](#)
- 2.17 On discharge, PD nurses will review patient to schedule ongoing outpatient follow-up and PD training

3. Network file	Renal, Peritoneal Dialysis http://seslhnweb/sqshhs/Business_Rules/Clinical/Peritoneal/default.asp https://stgrenal.org.au/dialysis
4. External references / further reading	<p>Alkatheeri, A. M. A., Blake, P. G., Gray, D., & Jain, A. K. (2016). Success of Urgent-Start Peritoneal Dialysis in a Large Canadian Renal Program. <i>Peritoneal Dialysis International</i>, 36(2), 171-176. doi: 10.3747/pdi.2014.00148</p> <p>Arramreddy, R., Zheng, S., Saxena, A. B., Liebman, S. E., & Wong, L. (2014). Urgent-Start Peritoneal Dialysis: A Chance for a New Beginning. <i>Am J Kidney Dis</i>, 63(3), 390-395. doi: 10.1053/j.ajkd.2013.09.018</p> <p>Casaretto, A., Rosario, R., Kotzker, W. R., Pagan-Rosario, Y., Groenhoff, C., & Guest, S. (2012). Urgent-start peritoneal dialysis: report from a U.S. private nephrology practice. <i>Adv Perit Dial</i>, 28, 102-105.</p> <p>Cullis, B., Abdelraheem, M., Abrahams, G., Balbi, A., Cruz, D. N., Frishberg, Y., . . . Finkelstein, F. O. (2014). Peritoneal Dialysis for Acute Kidney Injury. <i>Peritoneal Dialysis International</i>, 34(5), 494-517. doi: 10.3747/pdi.2013.00222</p> <p>Ghaffari, A. (2012). Urgent-start peritoneal dialysis: a quality improvement report. <i>Am J Kidney Dis</i>, 59(3), 400-408. doi: 10.1053/j.ajkd.2011.08.034</p> <p>Groenhoff, C., Delgado, E., McClernon, M., Davis, A., Malone, L., Majirsky, J., & Guest, S. (2014). Urgent-start peritoneal dialysis: nursing aspects. <i>Nephrology nursing journal : journal of the American Nephrology Nurses' Association</i>, 41(4), 347-352; quiz 353.</p>

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Description of process is straight forward and without variables. NOT a WPI if dependent on various decision making pathways e.g. if something is A do B and if C do D	Y	
Process is free from complex clinical decision making	Y	
Process is free from medications	Y	
Process is free from high risk invasive procedures	Y	
Document will be located on the ward/unit/department dedicated intranet page	Y	
Document will be listed in a local register by custodian responsible for facilitating WPI review every 3 years	Y	
Department head will approve the document and nursing co-director or clinical group manager will be the executive sponsor	Y	
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