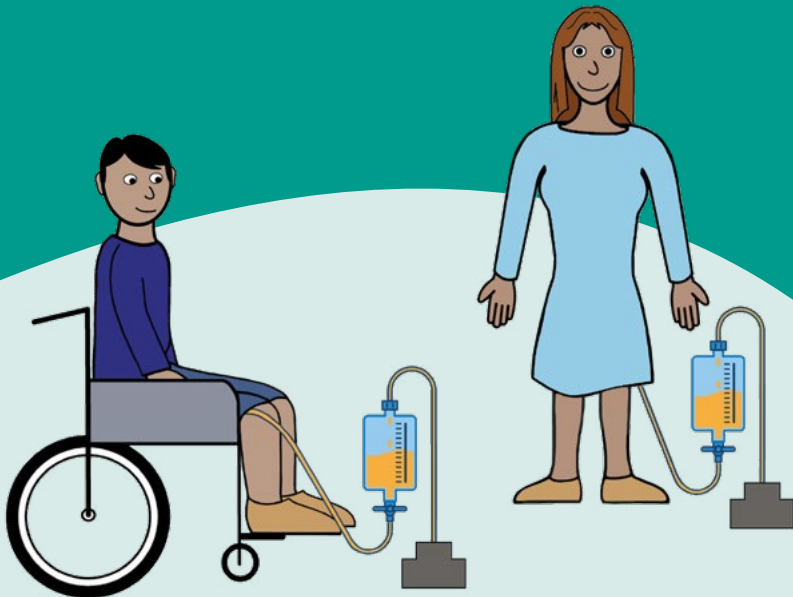


# A Urinary Catheter

Information for patients



**Easy Read**



## easy read



This booklet uses easy words and pictures.

You might want to ask someone to help you read it.

## hospital



Medical staff might want you to have a catheter.

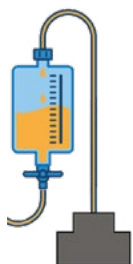
## catheter



Catheters mean you wee into a bag.

You do not need to go to the toilet to wee.

## catheter

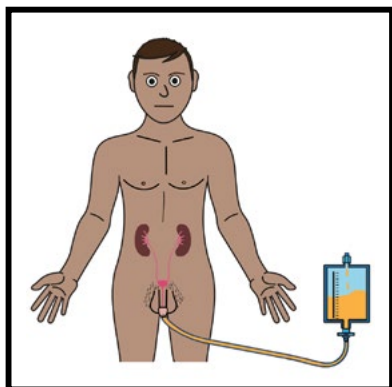


This is a catheter.

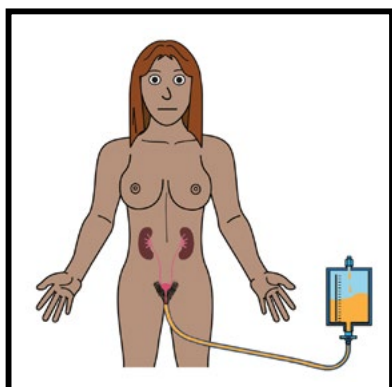
A tube will go into your bladder.

Your wee will come down the tube and into a bag.

You will not feel this.

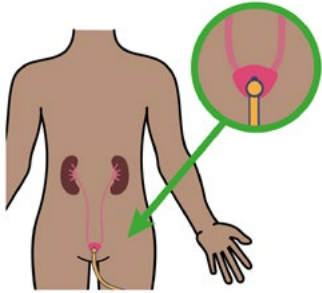


If you have male genital organs the tube will go up your penis into your bladder.



If you have female genital organs the tube will go into your bladder through your urethra.

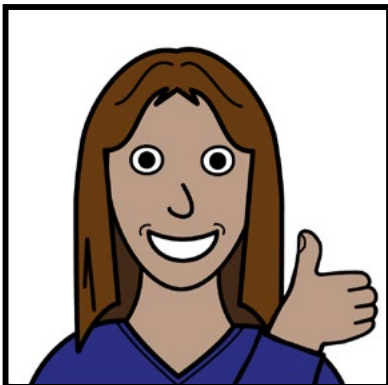
## small balloon



It is held in place with a small balloon.

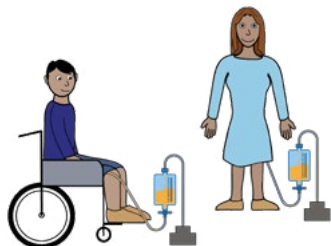


It may feel uncomfortable when it is put in.



Once in it should be comfortable. You will not know that you are weeing.

## using a catheter



You will be able to see the tube and bag for your wee.



Don't pull the tubes, it will hurt if you pull them.

## nurse



Your nurse will help you look after the catheter while you are poorly.

## talk to your nurse



You can talk to your nurse about the catheter.



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