

Looking after your dialysis line

Information for patients

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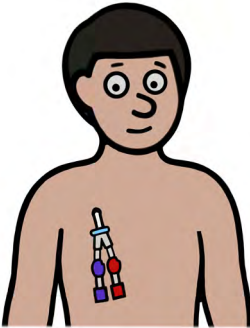


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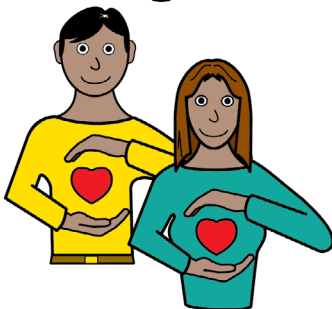
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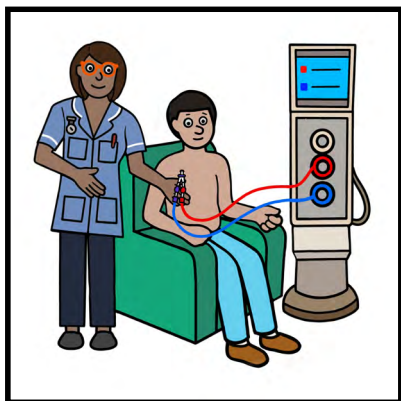
You will have a line fitted for dialysis.

This is called a Tunnelled Central Venous catheter (CVC)

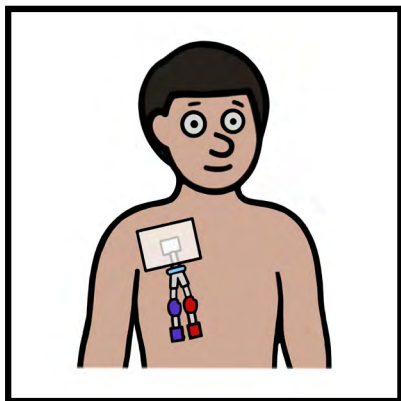
being well



You have to look after your line to keep it working



The nurse will check the line every time you visit dialysis.

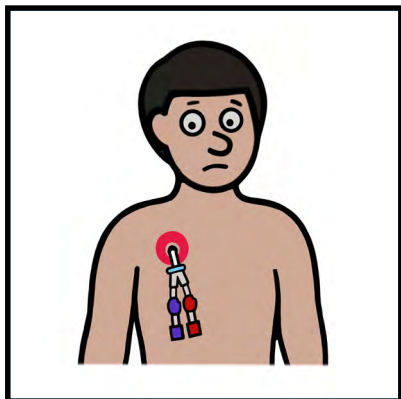


They will change the dressing once a week.

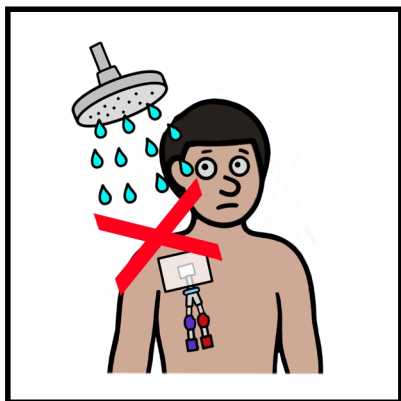


cough

During dressing changes do not touch the line or cough in that area.



This will help to keep it clean and reduce the risk of infection.



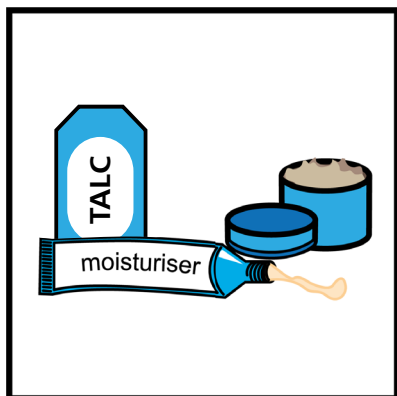
Try not to get your dressing wet.

Ask your dialysis nurse how you can cover it in the shower.

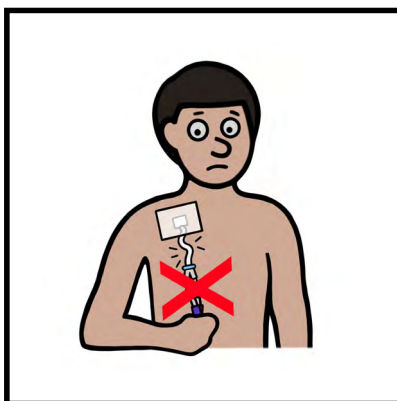
swimming



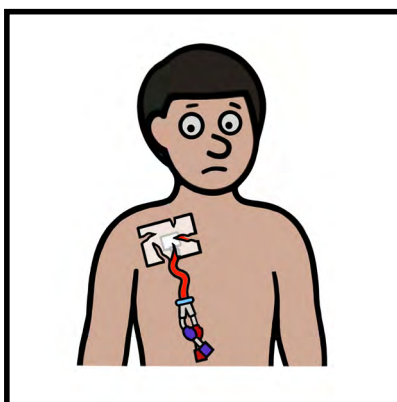
You cannot go swimming when you have a dialysis line.



Do not use talcum powder and creams around the dialysis line



Avoid pulling, bending, or twisting the dialysis lines

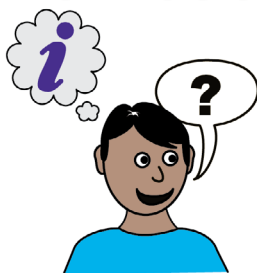


If you notice any problems with the line please tell staff as soon as possible

easy read



ask for information



Hospital Passport

My name is

I like to be called

We have other easy reads available to help you understand.

Ask staff if you have any questions about caring for your Dialysis line.

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