

Renal - Fistula formation

Information for patients

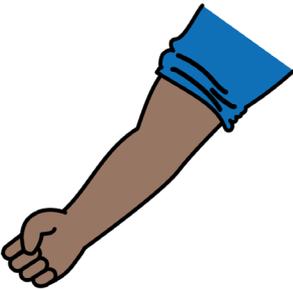
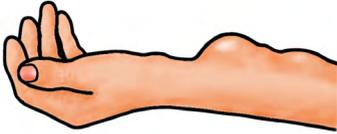
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fistula



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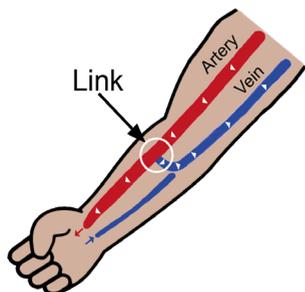
You might want to ask someone to help you read it.

You need a fistula ready for Dialysis,

This is usually in your arm.

The doctor will talk to you about where to form the fistula.

a fistula



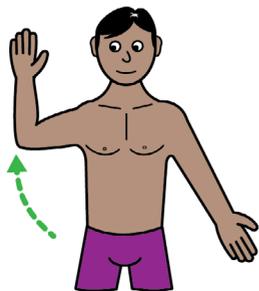
They will use your own artery and Vein

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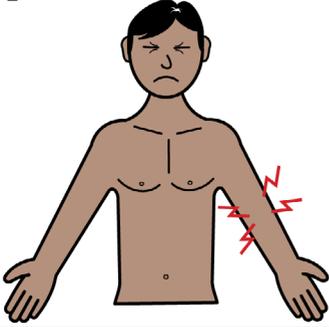
This is to make sure you have a reliable access point for dialysis

lift arm

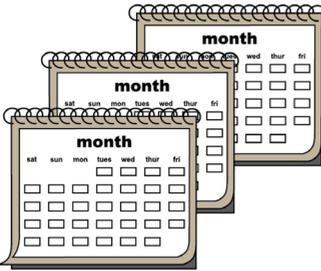


After the operation your arm will need to be raised above your shoulder.

pain in arm

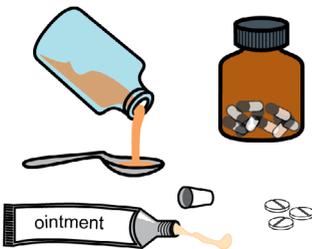


you will need to rest your arm, to stop it getting damaged.



It will take 6-12 weeks after the fistula formation until it can be used.

medication



You will be given pain killers to be taken if needed.

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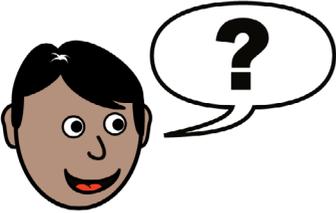
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