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PICC Line Insert Going Home Instructions

1. Watch for any bleeding at the site where the PICC line was put in.
2. Change dressing 24 hours after PICC line was put in. After that, change it once a week.
3. Limit your activity today with the arm that has the PICC line in it. Do not lift or strain with that arm for 24 hours.
4. If your catheter (tube) comes out of place, call your nurse to check your PICC line.
5. If your dressing gets wet, loose or dirty, let your nurse know.
6. Watch for any redness, tenderness or draining from your PICC line site.
7. Note in your booklet each time the dressing or caps are changed. This information will be helpful if you need to go to a hospital or clinic.
8. Keep a booklet with the list of your medications and any allergies. This will make things go smoothly if you go to a hospital.

Your booklet tells:

- the type and size of your PICC line
- the date of the last time it was flushed, and when the dressing cap was changed

If you have any concerns, call St. Vincent Charity Hospital's Radiology Department at 216.363.2592.

Someone will call you in 24 to 72 hours to check on you

I have read the information above or it was read to me. I am able to explain what I need to do.

Patient or Family Member (sign here)

Physician/Technologist/Nurse (sign here)

Date _____ Time _____

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