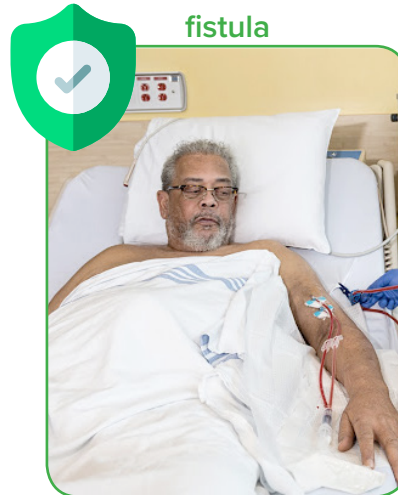


Help us keep you SAFE!



Don't hide your access under a blanket!



fistula



catheter

Keep your access in plain sight.

Things YOU can do to help you stay safe:

1. Make sure your access (needles or catheter) feels secure. If not, tell your nurse. You could lose a lot of blood if your access were to fall out.
2. Keep your access area and bloodlines visible. Nurses need to be able to see your access at all times.
3. Check your access frequently during dialysis. If the area around your access suddenly feels warm or damp or is painful, call your nurse.
4. Do not touch your access, connector or tape holding the access during dialysis.
5. Try not to move around too much during dialysis. If you need to move, move slowly.
6. Make sure your blood lines are attached to you, not to your dialysis chair, blankets or bed rail.