

Your Foley Catheter

A urinary catheter is a thin tube placed in the bladder to drain urine. The urine drains through a tube into the collection bag. If you have a urinary catheter, it is possible for germs to travel along the catheter and cause an infection in your bladder or your kidney; in that case it is called a catheter-associated urinary tract infection (or “CA-UTI”).

How can I take every precaution to prevent catheter-associated urinary tract infections?

- **Ask** your healthcare provider each day if you still need your catheter
- **Make sure** your catheter tubing is secured to your leg or abdomen if possible
- **Make sure** all hospital staff wash or sanitize their hands before & after touching your catheter
- **Do not** tug, pull or twist the catheter tubing
- **Always** keep your urine drain bag below the level of your bladder or hips and off the floor
- **Avoid** disconnecting the catheter from the drain tube

Please consult product labels and inserts for any indications, contraindications, hazards, warnings, cautions and directions for use.

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