## Supplied Items:

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<th>Loma Linda University Children’s Hospital Cardiac Unit (5800)</th>
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### Daily Dressing Change:

1. Wash your hands with soap and water
2. Remove old dressing and throw away in regular trash
3. Wash your hands again with soap and water
4. Check around the tube for:
   a. Swelling, increased redness or pain
   b. Yellow or green pus
   c. Bad smell  
   *Call (909) 558-8500 (Cardiac Unit) if any of the above occurs*
5. Clean around the tube with an antibacterial soap
6. Apply triple antibiotic ointment around the tube
7. Place a piece of gauze over site and secure with tape

### Empty the Drainage Bag/Drainage Bulb:

1. Wash hands with soap and water
2. **If you have a Drainage Bag:**
   a. Wipe the port (drain spout) with an alcohol swab
   b. Insert the syringe into the port and gently pull back on the plunger to withdraw fluid
   c. Empty the fluid into a measuring cup
3. **If you have a Drainage Bulb:**
   a. Open the port (drain) and squeeze the drainage into a measuring cup
   b. Keep the bulb squeezed flat, push the stopper back into the port
4. Measure the drainage 3 times a day and record it in the daily log
5. Throw away the fluid into the toilet and flush
6. The bag/bulb should not be pulling at the tube site. You may use a safety pin to attach the bulb to the child’s clothes
7. Wash your hands again with soap and water

### Call (909) 558-8500 If The Child Has:

- Swollen/ puffy hands, feet or eyelids
- A bad smell or cloudy drainage
- A large increase in the amount of drainage
- A hard time breathing
- A change in color of his/her skin or lips
- Starts coughing a lot and sounds stuffy
- A sudden stop in drainage or the tube looks plugged
- A temperature higher than 100 °F, when taken under the arm

**EMERGENCY!** If the tube accidentally comes out, follow these steps and call us right away at (909) 558-8500

- Put a petroleum gauze over the site, then cover with a dry dressing and tape well

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I have been shown how to do this, given these instructions and have had the chance to ask questions.

Patient/Caregiver Signature:__________________________ Date:____________ Time:__________

Name of Caregiver:________________________________ Relationship:____________________

Interpreter Name (Print):____________________________ Interpreter ID#:__________________

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