



Med-Lock Sticker Use & Care

Med-Lock stickers are being introduced into our care environments to help bedside clinicians identify when a central line is “locked” with a medication such as heparin or trisodium citrate. This prevents accidental injection of medications into the bloodstream by properly identifying hubs that have medication instilled in them prior to flushing the line for use.

Front view of sticker



Back view of sticker (blank)



To place sticker:

- 1 Remove adhesive cover from the back of sticker (Tab 1 and Tab 2)

- 2 The back center of the sticker should still have adhesive cover on it so no adhesive is placed on the tubing. Place the tubing in this spot.

- 3 Stick Tab 1 and Tab 2 together with the orange med-lock facing out.

- 4 Med-Lock sticker should be applied to individual hub TUBING. Remember one sticker for each port.

- 5 Do NOT place sticker directly on the port or on the central line dressing.

To remove sticker:

- 1 Hold proximal end of central line tubing with one hand to ensure line does not become displaced.

- 2 Using other hand, pull tail end of Med-Lock sticker. **DO NOT CUT STICKER**

- 3 Remove excess sticker and check integrity of tubing.
Change sticker if visibly soiled

Apply to practice:



View [Video](#) on proper sticker placement



View [Video](#) on proper sticker removal

Med-Lock Sticker DO's and DON'T's



DON'T place on site dressing



DON'T use one sticker on multiple hubs



DON'T place sticker directly on access cap



DO place one sticker on each individual hub tubing