



# MEDICATION ACCESS POINT (SALINE LOC, PRN ADAPTOR)



Escambia County, Florida - ALS/BLS Medical Protocol

## Indications

An IV may be maintained by using a male adapter plug (M.A.P.) instead of using IV solutions to keep the vein open when an IV is started prophylactically, and administration of drugs or fluid is not expected (e.g. stable chest pain, CVA).

## Procedure

1. Initiate an IV using the appropriate size catheter.
2. Flush a M.A.P. with normal saline.
3. Attach the M.A.P. to the catheter.
4. Flush the catheter-M.A.P. combination with normal saline.
5. If medications are pushed through the M.A.P., be sure to adequately flush the map and catheter with at least 3 cc of normal saline after administration.
6. At any time, the M.A.P. may be converted to a regular IV with fluid by removing the M.A.P. from the catheter and replacing it with IV fluid and tubing, if so desired, or by placing a needle on the end of the IV fluid-tubing and placing it through the rubber on the end of the M.A.P.



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