

## W.I.N.K. – Managing Infusion Therapies for COVID-19 Critical Care Areas

To decrease staff exposures and to minimize excessive utilization of PPE, IV pumps may be kept outside COVID-19 patient rooms



- Utilize extension tubing attached to a primary set ensure usage and appropriate cleaning of needleless connectors (15 seconds with alcohol)
  - No more than 2 extension tubings should be used (two short or one long)
  - Ensure patient room doors are kept closed and IV pumps are placed on one side of a corridor not impeding or obstructing exit routes.
- Label all tubing with medication name outside the room by the pump and by the patient
- Secure tubing to avoid disconnection and prevent tripping hazard
- Barcode scanning of medication required
- Patient armband scanning is required (recommend task bundling to decrease frequency of entering patient room)
  - In the event crisis surge capacity for PPE optimization is reached (less than 72 hours of PPE on hand per BHSF Strategies for Optimizing Supply of PPE during COVID-19 Pandemic) may override the patient armband scanning if necessary and choose drop down override reason: Pandemic

Keeping the IV pump outside of the room does not eliminate the need for regular patient assessment including central line and peripheral IV sites

All patients and all medications (high alert meds, critical infusions, and drug shortages) may not be suitable candidates for utilizing long extension sets

- Contact pharmacy for any questions about suitable medications/ compatibility

Do not silence alarms