

TROUBLESHOOTING:

One of my syringes dropped on the floor when I was giving the saline and factor

- Don't use anything that may not be clean anymore you could cause a serious infection.
- Flush with the saline you have, clamp. Take off your sterile gloves to get the supplies you need, put on another pair of sterile gloves and continue.

I am having trouble getting blood back or flushing the saline or factor into the port

- Ensure the clamp is open.
- Ensure the needle is right into the back on the port.
- Get child to turn head away from the neck incision side.
- Get child to lift arm up on the port side, or shrug shoulders.
- If this doesn't work, call the HTC. The port may be clotted.

My child is complaining of pain at his port site

- Check the port site for signs and symptoms of infection. (redness, pus, swelling, fever)
- Needle may not be in proper or have become dislodged. Look for swelling.
- Call HTC
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My child accidentally got hit in the chest on his port. What will happen?

- Most likely there will be a hematoma develop around the port and it may get too swollen to access easily. Try to give factor immediately or if unable, seek emergency care to have factor given through a peripheral vein ASAP