

Ventable Dialysate Port Cap

The 78208-000 Ventable Dialysate Port Cap was developed to allow a convenient and safe means of releasing pressure build-up in Renalin® reprocessed dialyzers. **IT IS NOT AN AUTOMATIC VENTING CAP.** The amount of pressure build-up in the dialyzer is directly related to the amount of residual blood remaining in the dialyzer after reprocessing. Additionally, the temperature of the water used to reprocess the dialyzer as well as the temperature at which the reprocessed dialyzer is stored also contributes to pressure build-up.

The following steps should be taken to minimize pressure build-up in a Renalin® reprocessed dialyzer:

- ✓ At the end of treatment rinse back the patient's blood with enough normal saline so that a minimum of residual blood remains in the dialyzer.
- ✓ Clean debris from the dialyzer headers using a RenaClear™ Dialyzer Cleaning System or follow the appropriate procedure for manually cleaning the dialyzer headers.
- ✓ The water used to reprocess the dialyzer or mix Renalin® should be less than 75°F (24°C).
- ✓ Use the Pre-clean cycle for dialyzers that contain residual blood.
- ✓ If a dialyzer has excess foaming in the Renatron® arterial or venous line at the end of the reprocessing cycle, reprocess the dialyzer again without a use.
- ✓ Store Renalin® reprocessed dialyzers at temperatures less than 75°F (24°C).

After reprocessing a dialyzer, place one ventable dialysate port cap (78208-000 or 78398-367) and one standard dialyzer dialysate port cap (78198-000) on the dialyzer, and two disinfected blood port caps (78397-704) on the blood ports.

Either **PULL** the clear plastic shield on the ventable port cap all of the way out or **PUSH** it snugly against the red portion of the cap prior to storing the dialyzer.

Before rinsing the dialyzer for clinical use, **PUSH** in the clear plastic shield on the ventable dialysate port cap if it is not already in that position.

CAUTION: VENT THE PRESSURE FROM THE DIALYZER BEFORE REMOVING ANY OF THE PORT CAPS.

SQUEEZE the red portion of the ventable dialysate port cap at the base of the clear plastic shield for **2-3 SECONDS** to vent the pressure.

CAUTION: DIRECT THE DIALYZER PORT WITH THE VENTABLE CAP UP AND AWAY FROM YOUR EYES WHEN SQUEEZING THE CAP TO RELEASE THE PRESSURE.



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