

Teaching Activities: Informal In-Service/Presentation:

In the SDU we take CLABSI prevention very seriously. Using the central line bundle and educating our fellow staff on its prevention has been an important initiative in our department.

Two big changes we made were: **1)** The way we identify patients that have central lines in our department. From the pictures you can see that we place a specially made magnetic Biopatch next to the name of the patients that have central lines. Identifying the patients puts more emphasis on ensuring proper daily central line care is being done and allows the charge nurse and management know, with one look, who has a central line. **2)** As we transfer and discharge patients home with central lines we educate the patient and family on the proper care of the line to help prevent CLABSI. We do this by verbally educating them as well as handing them a *Prevent Central Line Infection* handout to take with them. Part of our staff education was showing the staff nurses how to find this document and print it out and the education to be given to the patient. We also taught them where and how to documents this teaching.



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