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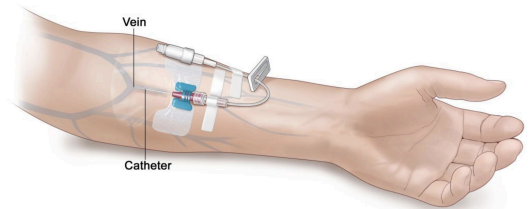
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Understanding Your IV Procedure

You have been prescribed an intravenous (IV) procedure. This involves placing a small, soft plastic tube called a cannula into a vein, usually in your arm or hand. The cannula allows fluids or medications to be delivered, or blood to be collected, in a safe and comfortable manner by an accredited nurse.

What to Expect

- ▶ A tourniquet is applied to help locate a suitable vein.
- ▶ A needle is used briefly to insert the cannula. Once in place, the needle is retracted and only the soft plastic tube remains in the vein.
- ▶ A dressing is applied to secure the cannula in place.
- ▶ Your treatment will then begin. This may involve fluids or medication being slowly infused, or a prescribed amount of blood being collected, depending on the procedure prescribed.
- ▶ Once the procedure is complete, the cannula is removed, pressure is applied to the site to stop any bleeding, and a small bandage is placed over the area.



Example of IV Cannulation

Medication Collection

If your procedure requires medication, you may either collect it from your local pharmacy or opt in to our **Medication Collection Service** through the **Patient Registration Form**. If you choose this option, we will arrange collection on your behalf and ensure your medication is ready for your appointment. Please contact us if you require any assistance.

Getting Ready for Your Appointment

Before You Arrive:

- ✔ Eat a light meal to avoid nausea or dizziness.
- ✔ Stay well hydrated unless advised otherwise
- ✔ Wear loose clothing with sleeves that roll up easily.
- ✔ Bring a jacket in case you feel cold.
- ✔ Please bring your Medicare card, any applicable concession cards, and a valid form of photo ID

When You Arrive:

- ✔ Arrive 10 minutes early for check-in and preparation.
- ✔ Let staff know if you're unwell or if your health has changed.
- ✔ You will be asked to complete a pre-procedure assessment and consent form.
- ✔ A nurse will explain the procedure, ensure your comfort, insert the cannula, and monitor you throughout your procedure.

After Your Procedure:

- ✔ Your IV procedure may take 30–90 minutes depending on your treatment.
- ✔ You will be asked to remain for up to 30 minutes after your procedure so we can ensure you are feeling well before you leave.
- ✔ Mild bruising or tenderness at the cannulation site is common and usually settles within a few days.
- ✔ Check the area daily for a week. If you notice discolouration, pain, swelling or discharge, contact us or your doctor.

Health & Safety Notice

If you have a heart or kidney condition, please check with your doctor regarding fluid restrictions prior to your procedure. Please do not attend the clinic if you have cold or flu symptoms. Contact us to reschedule your appointment if you are feeling unwell.

Your doctor has recommended TopDoc Infusion Clinic for your IV procedure. While you are free to choose any licensed medical infusion provider, please note that not all clinics may offer the specific medications or services required for your care. We recommend discussing your options with your treating practitioner to ensure continuity, safety, and the best outcome for your treatment.