

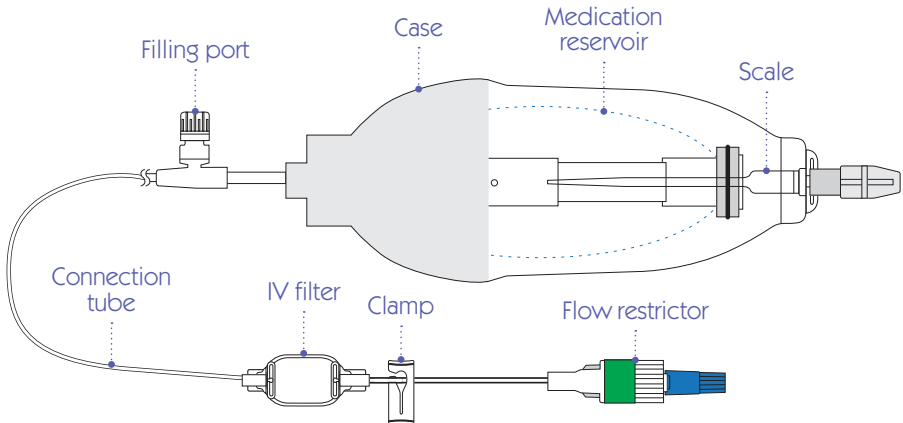


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accufuser®  
PATIENT GUIDE

# What is an **accufuser**<sup>®</sup> pump and what is it used for?

The **accufuser** single-use silicone balloon infusion pump is a disposable infusion device that provides liquid medication at an accurate and pre-fixed continuous rate.



## Taking care of your **accufuser** during treatment

- You should be provided with a bag to carry your pump round in. Please aim to keep the pump at the same level as your elbow (with your arm down). Although you can carry on as normal please avoid any rigorous exercises or movement that may cause the PICC/Midline to dislodge.
- You can bathe but please protect both your pump and your PICC/Midline from getting wet.
- Avoid getting detergents like soap or alcohol in contact with the filter as this may cause leakage from the air eliminating vent.
- To protect the liquid medication inside the **accufuser**, aim to keep the pump at comfortable room temperature. Avoid exposure to extreme heat or cold as this will affect the rate at which the pump will infuse and the integrity of your liquid medication.

# How to use your accufuser<sup>®</sup> pump

## To start and stop the medication delivery

Start and stop the accufuser pump only as directed. The on/off clamp on the accufuser tubing allows you to start and stop the flow of medication.

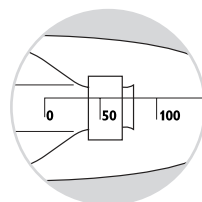


## Things to watch out for during your treatment

Wear your accufuser pump by placing it in the carry pouch. As the pump delivers your medication, the balloon reservoir inside will slowly become smaller. You can track the progress of medication delivery by noting the position of the reservoir's flow indicator on the number scale on the pump.

During medication delivery, check for the following:

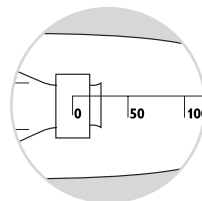
- The accufuser pump is emptying
- There is no leakage from the accufuser system
- Air has not entered the medication reservoir
- The tubing is not kinked
- All system connections are secure.



If you notice any problems, contact your clinical contact for your hospital immediately.

## When your treatment is complete

Medication delivery is complete when the flow indicator on the pump is at the "0" mark on the scale. This means there is no medication left in the reservoir. Unless you have been given other instructions, the clinical contact for your hospital will remove your catheter.



## What to do if the pump disconnects

Do not disconnect the accufuser pump from your PICC/Midline at any time. If for any reason the pump was to disconnect, do not panic. Simply clamp the accufuser pump and then contact your clinical contact for your hospital immediately.

# If you have and questions, queries or concerns

Should you have any concerns about your **accufuser**<sup>®</sup> pump or you have an increase in pain or start to feel unwell, you can contact your clinical contact for your hospital on the information below.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Your medication

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_ % Total volume: \_\_\_\_\_ ml

## Special instructions

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