This new device called a PowerGlide midline catheter is primarily being placed by ED physicians on patients that they are unable to obtain traditional peripheral access on. They are documenting them in Starpanel as “Procedure Note (Peripheral Venous Access - Ultrasound Guided)”.

**Key Points:**

- These can stay in up to 29 days, however they typically only last a few days- depending on what meds are being given through them.

- The PowerGlide is basically a long PIV (8 or 10cm). It may or may not draw blood- just like a traditional PIV.

- These are appropriate for peripheral strength meds ONLY- no TPN or other caustic agents should be given through them.

- A sterile dressing change should be performed q7days. I would recommend using a Tegaderm CHG dressing. At this time, the PICC Service is the only area who stocks the dressing change kits. The only component not included in this kit vs the CVC dressing change kit is the StatLock device to secure the PowerGlide.
Staff:

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Please answer the following questions based on the work area you are most familiar with OR where you worked the most during the month of April.

https://redcap.vanderbilt.edu/surveys/?s=x3SHoKAunt

DID YOU KNOW???

- Did you know that you can administer Cathflo (TPA) with a 3ml syringe? Typically we say use 10cc syringe to access line/verify patency, once patency is established—may use appropriate size syringe to deliver medication. Obviously if the line is occluded, that will not be possible. The vascular access team will clarify this language in the new CVC policy—currently under revision.

Dear Educators: Proposed Questions by the staff

“We are all still under the impression that outside hospital PIVs are to be replaced within 24 hours correct? and PICC dressings the same? could not find the policy on this, and there are conflicting beliefs”

If a patient comes into the hospital with an outside PIV we currently do not have a policy that states to change the PIV within 24 hours. Best practice is to change the PIV if the site is reddened upon arrival, dressing is soiled or no date or time is noted on the dressing.

If a patient comes in with a PICC line that was placed at an outside facility or ours we do not have a policy stating when to use or change the dressing. Best practice is to confirm placement of PICC line with an xray and change the dressing for assessment purposes.
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