

# PRODUCT UPDATE

## Sterile Water Drip Bag

Because of COVID-19, PHS is experiencing delays in getting one-liter and two-liter sterile water drip bags. Follow the steps below to reuse a sterile water drip bag.

### STERILIZE THE WATER

- A1. Fill clean pot with cold water and place on stove.
- A2. Bring water to rapid boil for 10 minutes.
- A3. Remove pot from heat and allow water to cool completely.

### STERILIZE THE TRANSFER CONTAINER

- B1. Fill second clean pot with enough water to cover transfer container. Bring water to boil a rapid on stove.
- B2. Use tongs to transfer container into pot. Water should completely fill transfer container.
- B3. Keep water at a rapid boil for 10 minutes.
- B4. Remove pot from heat. Allow water to cool completely.
- B5. Do not touch inside of transfer container when you remove it from pot.

### PREPARE THE BAG

- C1. Use alcohol pad to thoroughly wipe spike on end of water chamber tubing. Insert spike into bottom of empty sterile water drip bag.
- C2. Cut off top corner of drip bag at an angle.
- C3. Pour sterilized water into sterilized transfer container, then pour water into drip bag.
- C4. Fold cut corner of drip bag and hold fold with clip or tape.

### USE THE BAG

- D1. Hang bag and begin using.
- D2. Check bag frequently. Refill as needed with sterilized water.
- D3. Place empty bag in covered clean container until you need to use bag again. Sterilize water and transfer container when you refill bag.



If you have questions, call PHS and ask for a Respiratory Therapist.  
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