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Organizing Your Infusion Supplies

Most of us have heard the phrase “a place for everything and everything in its place.” Some of us are very well organized, and others.... not so much! When it comes to monthly or weekly infusions, organization is one of the keys to continued success. We would like to offer the following tips to help you get organized.

Tips for Everyone

- Keep your supplies in a storage box or tote, or even a specific cabinet.
- Make sure you are aware of temperatures. You don't want your medication to get too hot or cold.
- Keep in mind that orders are typically filled for a full month. Be sure to think ahead so you won't run out of anything before your next order.
- You should be speaking with your advocate BEFORE you use your last dose. This will help ensure your order gets the attention it deserves.

Tips for IVIG Patients

- At each infusion, plan your next infusion date with your nurse.
- Ask your nurse to help you determine what supplies you need each month.
- If you take your medicine and supplies to an office, be sure to put everything in a backpack or sturdy bag to safely protect them.



Tips for SCIG Patients

- Use large plastic storage bags to set up a “supply bag” for each week. Include all your supplies needed for each infusion. Keep extras together so that you have them on hand “just in case.”
- When drawing the medicine into the syringe, you should use one mini spike per vial or one gauge needle per syringe, depending on the method you use.
- To save room in your Sharps Container, snip the needles off the needle sets and place them in the Sharps. The syringe and the rest of the tubing can be discarded in the trash.
- Keep track of what you have and what you need, so you are ready when your advocate calls. Do this monthly when your shipment arrives. You can make up a checklist, or just jot down notes in a notebook. Do whatever works best for you. If you are unsure of the name of a product, don't hesitate to ask your advocate.

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