

Procedure time is approximately 30 minutes. Internalization of an existing nephrostomy tube into a nephroureterostomy tube may take up to 1 hour. There is no recovery time post procedure. These tubes must be changed every 3 months.

### Patient Preparations:

The patient should wear loose-fitting clothing that is easy to change out of. Please bring a list of drug/medication allergies.

### Bloodwork:

No bloodwork is required for routine existing tube exchanges.

### Anticoagulation / Antiplatelet Medications:

Medications do not need to be stopped for routine tube exchanges. If unsure about specific medications then please call the DI Nurse to discuss.

**ORDERING PHYSICIAN:** Please call the DI Nurse at 705-325-2201, ext. 3497 if you have concerns about your patient's anticoagulation / antiplatelet medications.

Please bring your OHIP card to the hospital on the day of your appointment. If you are unable to keep this appointment then please phone the DI Booking Line at **705-327-9127** to cancel or rebook.

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Questions or concerns about the procedure? Call the DI Nurse at **705-325-2201, ext 3497**