

Appendix 2

TABLE 1: V.I.P. SCORE (VISUAL INFUSION PHLEBITIS SCORE)

V.I.P SCORE		
IV site appears healthy	0	No signs of phlebitis OBSERVE CANNULA
ONE of the following is evident: <input type="checkbox"/> Slight pain near I.V. site or slight redness near I.V site	1	Possible first signs of phlebitis OBSERVE CANNULA
TWO of the following is evident: • Pain near I.V site • Erythema • Induration	2	Early stages of phlebitis RESITE/REMOVE CANNULA
ALL of the following is evident: • Pain along path of cannula • Erythema • Induration	3	Medium stage of phlebitis RESITE/REMOVE CANNULA CONSIDER TREATMENT
ALL of the following is evident and extensive: • Pain along path of cannula • Erythema • Induration • Palpable venous cord	4	Advanced stage of phlebitis or start of thrombophlebitis RESITE/REMOVE CANNULA CONSIDER TREATMENT
ALL of the following is evident and extensive: • Pain along path of cannula • Erythema • Induration • Palpable venous cord • Pyrexia	5	Advanced stage of thrombophlebitis INITIATE TREATMENT RESITE/REMOVE CANNULA

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