Reducing Central Venous Catheter Infections

Patient

Poor hygiene
Perspiration under dressing
Nasal carriage of Staph Aureus
Manipulates catheter at exit site
Removes dressing at home
Showers and gets dressing wet
Sneezes on exposed site or open ports
Dressing comes off due to activity or sleep

Caregiver

Equipment

Surgical procedure
Cracked caps
Improperly fitted caps
Contaminated supplies

Environment

Contamination of ports during treatment on/off
Not changing gloves during dressing change
Poor site cleansing during dressing change
Nasal carriage of Staph Aureus
Improper handwashing
Failure to wear gloves
Not wearing a mask

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