

In-Service Training Guide

	Spike IV bag
SET UP	☐ Allow AirCheck™ to fill completely
	☐ Release ball if necessary
	☐ Open canopy – squeeze tabs
	☐ Load LifeFlow syringe into handle
	☐ Numbers up
	☐ White plunger into blue slot
	Demonstrate correct and incorrect methods
	Point LifeFlow handle up and cycle trigger until syringe is primed
USING LIFEFLOW	☐ Attach to vascular access
	 Use with central venous catheters, PICC lines, and port access devices that are rated for use with contrast infusion (300psi) to avoid risk of catheter disruption
	☐ Monitor IV patency on first pulls and throughout infusion
	☐ Watch and feel for infiltration
	☐ When finishing a bag, do not allow the AirCheck to seal. Do not drain bag completely.
	If the ball is at the bottom of AirCheck, disconnect from patient and stop infusing.
	To reset AirCheck: 1. Spike a new bag and wait for AirCheck to fill completely
	2. Squeeze below ball to release
	3. Check for air in the line. Reprime the line, if needed, then reconnect to patient.
LIFEFLOW TIPS	Observe and monitor for vascular congestion during intraosseous (IO) use in the leg of an infant. The rate of infusion should be slowed or stopped until swelling subsides.
	 With 24 gauge and other smaller catheters, allow a brief pause between trigger squeezes to limit resistance. If resistance increases, allow for a longer pause.
	System generates similar pressure as a 10 ml syringe
	 Handle provides tactile feel – if you notice a change in resistance or if the ball is sealed, check line for air, patency of line and all connections
	Handle safety feature – will break if over-pressured
	 Always remove syringes and ALL additional IV tubing from needleless access on "Y" connector prior to infusing any bolus
	Do not attempt to connect the LifeFlow device to a glass or rigid IV fluid container
	Always keep AirCheck and fluid bag vertical
	AirCheck should always remain completely filled
	Remove from vascular access when unused
	Syringe cannot be twisted apart (don't try it)
	Can be used on a single patient for up to 24 hours

