

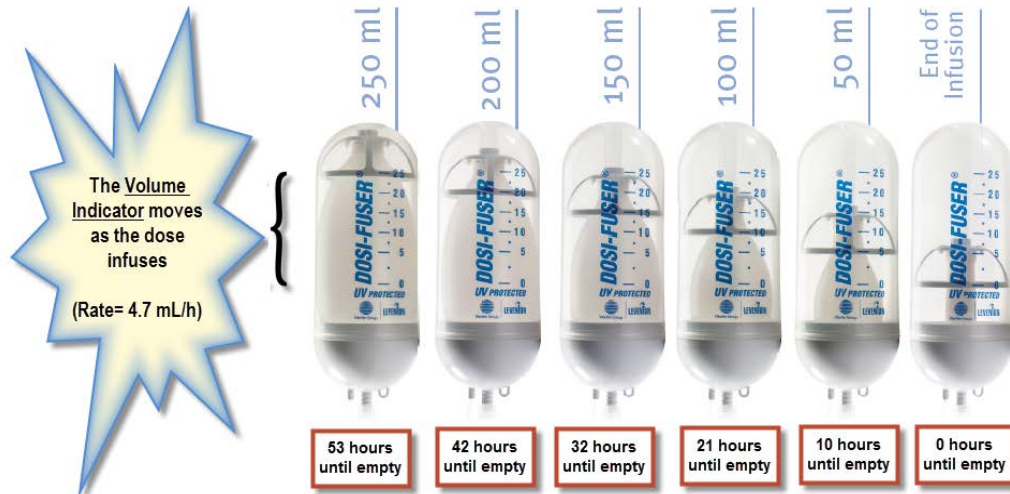


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## Quick Tip Sheet Helpful Advice for Wearing My Dosi-Fuser® Pump

### What do the Markings on the side of the Dosi-Fuser® mean?



### How should I wear my Dosi-Fuser®?

- Wear the temperature sensor taped to your skin at all times.
- **Do not** add **extra tape**, as you may kink the tubing or stop the infusion.
- The Dosi-Fuser® is placed in a small carrying pouch that attaches to your belt loop, clipped to your clothing or sleeping pillow, or placed on a nearby surface.
- Remove the infusion bottle from the pouch **at least** once every 12 hours while connected to be sure that the IV tubing is not clamped and is running at the appropriate rate.

### How does my body temperature affect my pump?

The rate of the pump is regulated by your body temperature. The pump may run too fast if it gets warm or if your body temperature is above normal. The Dosi-Fuser® will infuse faster or slower if your body becomes very hot or cold.

- **Avoid** anything that will raise or lower the temperature of the pump.
- **Do not** place pump in direct sunlight.
- **Do not** use heating pad or heating blankets.
- **Do not** expose to cold.

### How do I keep my pump dry?

- Always keep your IV access site dry.
  - Wrap the filter with plastic wrap if showering or bathing.
  - **Do not** get the pump or filter wet.
  - **Do not** swim or use a hot tub while the pump is connected to you.
- \*Tip:** Shower before your connection and then sponge bathe during your infusion.

### How do I sleep with my pump?

**\*Tip:** Place the Dosi-Fuser® under or next to your pillow, or on a bedside chair or table, when sleeping. You may use the Dosi-Fuser® clip to secure the pump to your pillow case.

- **Do not** place **under** your bedcovers during sleep.
- **Do not** sleep with the pump or fanny pack **attached** to your body.
- **Do not** hang pump above chest level.
- **Do not** place pump on the floor.

### How will I know when my infusion is done?

- Always leave the Dosi-Fuser® connected until it is empty. You can tell that your pump is empty if:
  - The balloon is deflated
  - **The volume indicator is at zero**
- **Do not** clamp the tubing until the infusion is being disconnected.
- **Do not** disconnect your infusion by yourself unless you have been trained in this procedure.

### When do I need to call the HomeMed Pharmacy?

Call the pharmacy at 1-800-862-2731 if:

- Your Dosi-Fuser® is empty 7 or more hours earlier than your planned disconnect time.
- You have leaks in the Dosi-Fuser® or tubing.
- You have a fever during your infusion.
- The infusion volume indicator appears not to be moving closer to zero after a couple of hours of watching.

**\*Tip:** Use a marker and mark the bottom of the volume indicator. Check back in a couple of hours to see if the volume indicator has moved.

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