

## Needleless Connectors

Please be aware that the home infusion supplies sent to our patients **DO NOT** include these types of devices.

Our Infection Control Department has reviewed the published literature and determined that valve-like needleless devices are associated with an increased rate of catheter related blood stream infections (CA-BSI). Our commitment is to continuously evaluate these devices as new designs and research become available.

Our patients and caregivers are trained at the University of Michigan Health System by our hospital based Training Team. Our Training Team provides instruction (both hands on and written) for the care of their IV access and administration of prescribed home infusion therapy. When the visiting nurse utilizes different supplies, this causes confusion and frustration for the patient and/or caregiver.

University of Michigan Health System, Home Care Services – HomeMed uses the Lifeshield® needleless system. Please refer to the medication administration instructions given to our patients or on this website for further information.

Please feel free to contact Kristin at (734)-936-6355 or one of our HomeMed clinicians with any questions or concerns.

**We would like to thank you in advance for your support to provide consistent instruction to our mutual patients and caregivers.**