Recommended priming procedure for the Alaris® Pump module administration set

Alaris® System

Prepare tubing:
• Remove tubing from package
• Remove paper tape from tubing
  Note: Leave blue sheath in place on the pumping segment until priming is complete

Prepare the set:
• Close roller clamp
• Spike fluid container and hang the container 20 inches above the Alaris® Pump module

Priming the set:
• Fill drip chamber 2/3 full
• Open roller clamp and slowly prime tubing. Priming slowly helps to minimize turbulence that can cause air bubbles to form
• Close roller clamp when priming is complete
• Remove blue sheath from pumping segment and discard

Notes on priming:
• Ensure that the vent on the drip chamber is closed before the initial and/or subsequent spiking of a bottle. Squeeze the drip chamber while spiking the bottle to prevent the vent from becoming wet. After priming the drip chamber, open the vent cap.
• To remove visible air from the SmartSite® needle-free valve, invert and tap the valve while fluid is passing.
• To remove the 0.04 mL of air present when valve is activated, attach a luer lock syringe to the valve and aspirate the air.

Notes if using a filter (see sample #2412-0500):
• When priming a filter, hold the filter in the vertical position with inlet port up. Do not invert filter.
• When set is connected to the patient, maintain filter level at or below the vascular access site.

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