

# GORE® ACUSEAL Vascular Graft

## Early Cannulation Guidelines for the Hemodialysis Unit

(For the first three sessions within two weeks of implantation)

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### EARLY CANNULATION RECOMMENDATIONS

- Adhere to aseptic technique
  - Sterile gloves
  - Face mask that covers mouth and nose
  - Gown
- Prevent graft movement during cannulation
- Perform a swift, clean puncture with a 17 gauge needle
- Maintain a blood flow rate of 200–250 ml / min
- Administer a low dose of heparin therapy
- **Hold pressure for 10–15 minutes to achieve hemostasis post needle removal.**

Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Date of Birth:

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Vascular Graft Implant Date:

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Date to Dialyze:

D	D	/	M	M	/	Y	Y	Y	Y
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### EARLY CANNULATION DIRECTIVES

1. Mark / draw location of graft  
(See back side) (Forearm / upper arm; loop / straight configuration)
2. Mark / draw direction of arterial and venous flow  
(See back side)
3. Mark / draw location of cannulation sites  
(See back side) (Arterial and venous needles)
4. Needle gauge:    
(17 gauge recommended during first week post implantation)
5. Flow Rate:     
(200–250 ml / min for entire session during first week post implantation)
6. Heparin Dose: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

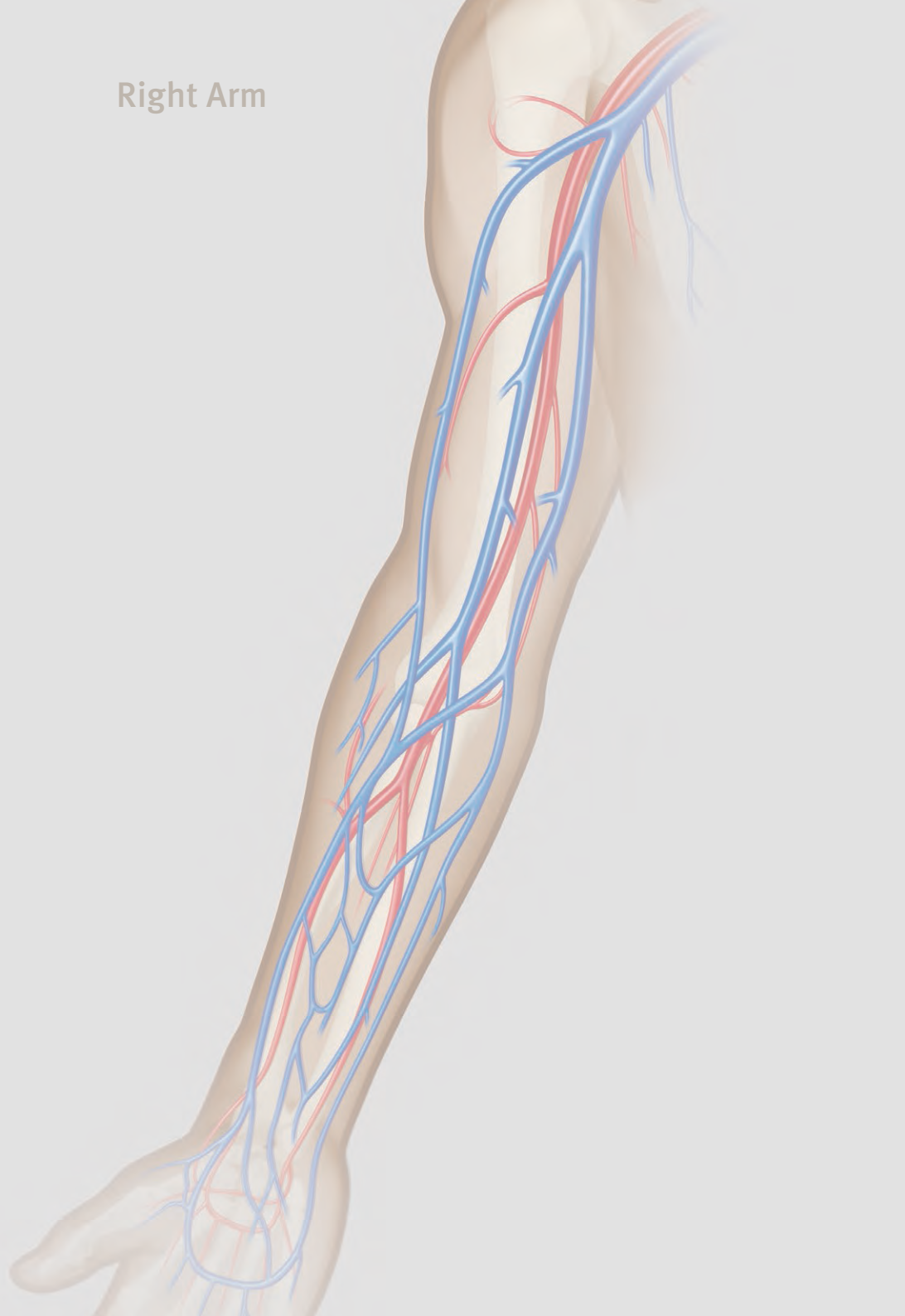
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Right Arm



Left Arm

