

Patient Handout: Care of Suspected Extravasation of CT Contrast Media

You will receive a telephone call from a Registered Nurse in 1-2 days to assess for any changes to the injection site where you received the contrast media for your CT scan.

At Home

- ☐ Elevate affected extremity above the level of the heart whenever possible
- ☐ Alternate warm and cold compress to the injection site for 15 minutes as needed for comfort
- ☐ After showering or bathing, gently pat with your towel to dry the site

When to Seek Medical Attention

Call the PROVINCIAL NURSE LINE 1-833-818-ONCO (6626) if you have any of the following:

- ☐ Increase in pain or redness to the injection site.
- ☐ Development of numbness to the affected extremity
- ☐ Decreased range of motion to the extremity
- ☐ Blistering of the skin