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Aspira Insertion Placement Technique	Proficient
Placement Techniques (Antegrade, Retrograde, OTW)	☐ YES ☐ NO
Common Placement Steps (All Techniques) Select proper catheter for insertion Select site for insertion Create sterile field & open tray Flush catheter & allow to soak Attach introducer needle to syringe Insert introducer needle and aspirate to confirm placement Remove syringe from introducer needle Insert guidewire through the needle Remove needle Select proper catheter length	☐ YES ☐ NO
Antegrade Technique (Tunneling Towards Insertion Site) Stab incision at entry & exit sites (5-8cm distance between site) Tunnel catheter from exit site to entry site Attach catheter to tunneler and pull catheter through until cuff Remove tunneler from catheter and pass dilators over the guide Sheath passed over the guide wire Remove dilators guidewire (one unit) from sheath Catheter is inserted (all fenestration in cavity) Peel away sheath and keep catheter in place Stylet is removed Place slide clamp on the catheter proximal to exit site Cut Y connector and place valve Site sutured, and dressing placed	is properly positioned
Retrograde Technique (Tunneling Towards Exit Site) Make an incision at the desired insertion site Dilate insertion site guiding the dilators over the wire Thread introducer sheath over the guidewire Remove the guidewire and dilator as a unit Pass catheter into the sheath (all fenestration in cavity) Peel apart introducer sheath Make an incision at desire exit site for tunnel length (5-8cm) Create a tunnel between two incision sites Remove the stylet from the catheter Cut the catheter below Y connector Attach proximal end of the catheter to tunneler Thread tunneler and catheter from insertion site to incision sit Pull catheter through the tunnel until the cuff is positioned Place clamp on the catheter immediately proximal to the exit Separate the catheter from the tunneler Place valve Site sutured, and dressing placed	

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Placement Technique	
Over the Wire Technique	
Refer to the IFU for placement technique	☐ YES ☐ NO
Connectors & Additional Questions	
Luer Adaptor vs. Universal Tubing Adaptor	☐ YES ☐ NO
Why is important to flush the catheter during prep?	☐ YES ☐ NO
 What is the distance between the most proximal hole and dacron cuff on the pleural catheter? 	☐ YES ☐ NO
 What is the distance between the most proximal hole and the dacron cuff on the peritoneal catheter? 	☐ YES ☐ NO
 What is the advantage of doing the retrograde approach? 	☐ YES ☐ NO