

I am going to get an infusion!

1. I am going to the Clinic for Special Children for an infusion. This infusion will make me feel better and keep my body healthy! I will be so brave!



2. A nurse will come get me from the waiting room. I will step on the scale so she can take my height and weight.



3. Now we will go into the "infusion room". This room will have a comfortable bed, I can lay down and relax. The nurse will take my blood pressure and check my oxygen levels. A cuff will be wrapped around my arm, and I will feel a little squeeze, but it will not hurt me. A small machine will be placed on my finger, this will tell the nurse my oxygen level.





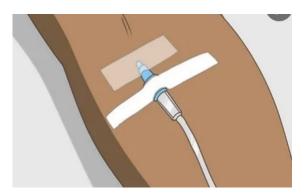
4. Next, my parents will give me a big hug to help me stay still while the doctor touches my arm and feet to look for a strong vein.



5. It is important that I stay calm and still for the next step. The doctor will spray my arm with a cold spray, we call this popsicle spray! The doctor will then place a needle in my arm. I may feel a little pinch.



6. After the pinch, the needle is replaced with a flexible tube. The tube is not painful, and this will allow the fluid to enter my body.



7. The hard part is over! The doctor will then wrap my arm with a blue flexible band and board, this will keep my arm straight during the infusion.



8. It takes some time for the fluid to reach my body. So, I can watch a movie or video while I wait. My parents will be with me the whole time, and the doctor and nurses will check on me to make sure I am comfortable!



9. Now the infusion is over! Everyone is so proud of me! I will get a lollipop and sticker at the front desk.

