

TIPS FOR MEDICAL DISTANCING

REDUCE THE NUMBER OF TIMES FOR DIRECT CONTACT,
REDUCE PPE USE, REDUCE CONTAMINATION RISK

#1: Pumps Outside of the Patient Room

REDUCE UNNECESSARY CONTAMINATION RISK AND PPE USE BY PUTTING THE PUMPS OUTSIDE OF THE PATIENT ROOM.

Notorious for alarming and needing to be reset, IV pumps can cause more direct patient contact than necessary. Some facilities have found that **placing IV Pumps outside of the patient room**, with **longer IV tubing**, has helped with this risk as **clinicians can control them without going in the room**.



Summit Extended Length tubing

#2: Pre-Triage Assessment

HOW DO WE PRE-TRIAGE FROM A DISTANCE?

Rather than using a handheld intermittent monitor that requires close proximity to the suspect patient and increases contamination risk, why not use a disposable skin temperature sensor or tympanic sensor? These sensors are **highly more accurate** and provide 3 feet of lead wire that is attached to a 10ft cable, so the **patient's temperature can be read from more than 10ft away**.



"We just can't get this close anymore!"



Starboard 400-TY Tympanic Temperature Sensor



Starboard 400-SK Skin Temperature Sensor



Starboard C400MP-M Connecting Cable

#3: ICU Temperature Monitoring

MONITOR TEMPERATURE CONTINUOUSLY RATHER THAN INTERMITTENT CHECKS.

Use continuous patient monitoring for temperature and other vital signs, rather than the intermittent checks, and read the monitor screen from the nurses station or from a distance. **Skin, tympanic and general purpose (nasal/rectal) temperature sensors are ideal** for continuous monitoring in the ICUs and other units with in-room patient monitors.



Starboard 4009-ER
General Purpose Probe

