

## STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS

Applying a Tummy Tag to a patient is done *after* the Tag's battery is tested and *after* the Tag has been assigned to the patient. For more information on Tag battery testing, see *How to Store and Test a MyChild Security Tag*. For more information on assigning a Tag to a patient, see *Tummy Tag Comprehensive Guide PowerPoint*.

### 1. POSITION THE UMBILICAL CORD CLAMP

- The MyChild Tummy Tag is designed to fit into the hinge of an umbilical cord clamp.
- Insert the Tummy Tag into the clamp hinge. Make sure the round post on the Tag is all the way into the round hinge area.
- Position the clamp parallel to the infant's abdomen, leaving approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$ " – 1" between the clamp and the abdomen.
- Center the umbilical cord between the clamp arms. If there is a number on the clamp, make sure it is facing up.

### 2. LOCK THE CLAMP

- Lock the clamp in place using both hands. Apply gentle, steady pressure to guide the locking prongs straight into place. Be certain that both prongs "click in." Do not attempt to apply the clamp by squeezing the arms of the clamp.

### 3. CONFIRM THE CLAMP IS SECURE

- Confirm that both locking prongs are secure. This can be determined through visual inspection and/or by running a finger over the mechanism to be sure the prongs are locked in place.
- Confirm correct placement before trimming the cord.

### 4. TRIM THE CORD

- Trim the umbilical cord leaving approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$ " –  $\frac{3}{4}$ " of cord outside of the clamp. This will help prevent the clamp from slipping off the cord as the cord dries and shrinks.

### 5. REMOVE THE CLAMP

- Stabilize the clamp between your thumb and forefinger, while covering the rest of the clamp with your hand. Align the cutter blades in the notch where the clamp prongs are locked or on the lower arm of the clamp.
- Cut with gentle pressure until the clamp releases.
- Dispose of the clamp and wipe the clamp cutter with a disinfectant wipe.





# Tummy Tag Application, Removal and Disinfection Guide

## Tag Disinfection Procedures

- Thoroughly clean tag with disinfectant wipe. McRoberts uses SaniZide Pro 1 disinfectant wipes which are broad-spectrum, EPA-registered, hospital-grade surface disinfecting wipes that kill the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and meet OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) requirements regarding bloodborne pathogens and personal protection.
- Use a small soft-bristled brush to scrub each tag with germicidal solution until there is no visible evidence of blood, body fluids, or material on the tag. McRoberts uses SaniZide Pro 1, which is a broad-spectrum, EPA-registered, hospital-grade surface disinfectant that kills the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and meets OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) requirements regarding bloodborne pathogens and personal protection.
- Spray each tag continuously with germicidal solution to ensure a minimum of 1 minute “wet time” with the solution.
- Wipe dry with a disposable, lint-free towelette.
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