

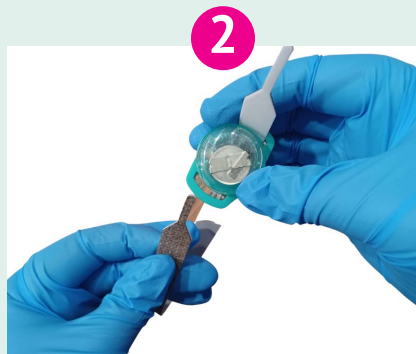
# Cut-Band Application and Removal Guide

## Applying the Cut-Band Tag

**1. ASSIGN** the tag to a patient in the MyChild software, after testing the tag.

(See *How to Store and Test a MyChild Tag*).

**2. THREAD** the cut-band UP through one side of tag, from the bottom of tag (green side) to the top of tag (white side with writing). The white side of the cut-band should be on the inside..



**3. SLIP** the loop over baby's foot and position on the calf. If the patient is a preemie, position of top of upper thigh. Snug band to fit by pulling up on tabs on either side of tag.

**4. TRIM** the cut-band, leaving enough band on both sides to grab for tightening, in case the patient loses weight.



## Infant Application



**PLACE** Surgilast or other tubular elastic bandage to prevent accidental removal by the infant. Surgilast should cover the tag and the limb above and below the tag.

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## Removing the Cut-band Tag

1. **DISCHARGE** the tag in the MyChild software.
2. **CUT** the band as shown. Position the scissors between the tag and the patient's limb.
3. **CLEAN** the tag thoroughly in accordance with the disinfection procedures below.
4. **PLACE** tag in foil pouch for storage.



## Tag Disinfection Procedures

- Thoroughly clean tag with a disinfectant wipe. Allow the tag to air dry. Wipe contact surface with an alcohol wipe to remove any chemical residue that could be an irritant to the patient's skin.
- Use a small soft-bristled brush, dipped in alcohol, to scrub the teeth on a cut-band tag. Use the brush on both top and bottom of teeth. All debris, such as band material, must be removed.
- If necessary, tag can be rinsed under running water. If this method is used, shake the tag dry. Do not use a paper towel or cotton-tip applicator to dry teeth.

*Disinfected tags should always be placed in individual foil pouches to preserve their battery life.*