

# 5 Tips for VALGuard® success

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## 1 POLICY

- ▶ Establish an easy-to-follow protocol that clearly and simply outlines where, when and how VALGuard® should be used. *Our clinical support team can help.*

## 2 AUDIT USAGE

- ▶ Audit use of VALGuard® during rounds, promoting a multidisciplinary approach involving both quality improvement and infection prevention teams. *We can help support your audit program.*

## 3 ESTABLISH UNIT LEADERS AND “SUPER USERS”

- ▶ Designate an individual from the unit’s leadership to work with Covalon to ensure efficient and effective product education and roll-out.
- ▶ Establish “Super Users” to
  - Act as In-House Experts
  - Be Key Points of Contact for Covalon
  - Educate New Team Members with Product Use

*Whether in-person or online, Covalon will support account Super Users to set their team up for success.*

## 4 INVENTORY & LOCATION

- ▶ *Keep VALGuard® where you need for when you need it.* Work with your Covalon representative to ensure VALGuard is stocked in a convenient location to encourage compliance. Examples of storage locations include:

- Bedside
- Nurse Pods
- Supply Cabinets in Patient Rooms
- Where IV Tubing is Primed
- Vascular Access/PICC Team Supply Cart

## 5 PRODUCT EDUCATION & RESEARCH PROJECTS

- ▶ Post product literature throughout the unit: breakrooms, restrooms, or high traffic areas. *Ask your Covalon representative for literature.*
- ▶ Institute quick and effective product education or re-education on Covalon’s virtual e-learning platform. *Product education can be arranged quarterly or as needed by your Covalon representative.*
- ▶ Promote clinical ladder, quality improvement and research projects related to VALGuard®. *We can assist and help to support research initiatives.*

Covalon will follow-up every 3-6 months to make sure VALGuard® is meeting your needs and provide support, but don’t hesitate to reach out to your Covalon Representative or [customerservice@covalon.com](mailto:customerservice@covalon.com) with any questions or feedback.