



## RECOMMENDATION FOR MAINTAINING INITIAL INSERTION SITE ANGLE WITH THE IMPELLA 2.5® AND IMPELLA CP® HEART PUMPS

### WHAT'S NEW?

Abiomed has observed that when the angle of the repositioning sheath is not the same as the initial angle of access, bleeding can occur at the insertion site (Figure 1).

Clinicians may be able to avoid bleeding when using the repositioning sheath by matching the initial angle of insertion.

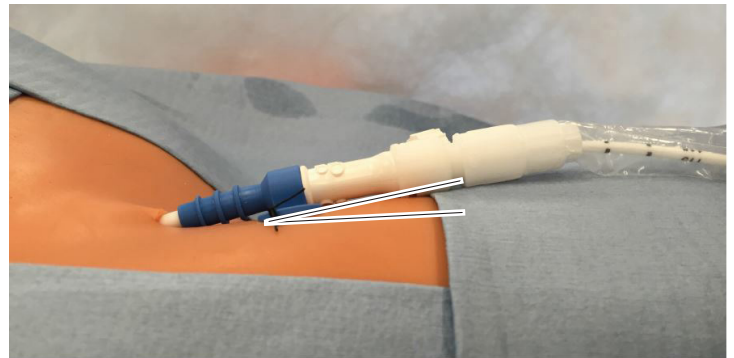


Figure 1: Incorrect technique to maintain entry angle

### PUTTING THIS INTO PRACTICE

Abiomed recommends that a folded 4X4 gauze pad be placed under the hub of the repositioning sheath to allow the angle of insertion to be maintained (Figure 2).

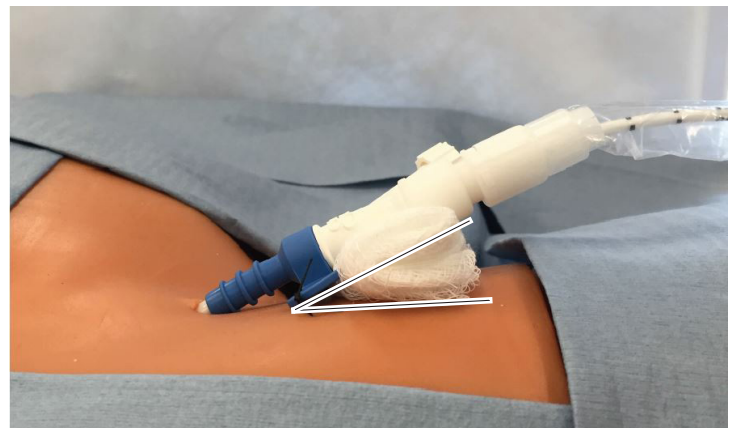


Figure 2: Correct technique to maintain entry angle

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