

# Visual Infusion Phlebitis Score

IV site appears healthy

0

No signs of phlebitis  
**OBSERVE CANNULA**

One of the following is evident:

- Slight pain at IV site
- Redness near IV site

1

Possible first sign of phlebitis  
**OBSERVE CANNULA**

Two of the following are evident:

- Pain
- Erythema
- Swelling

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Early stage of phlebitis  
**RESITE THE CANNULA**

All of the following signs are evident:

- Pain along the path of the cannula
- Erythema
- Induration

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Medium stage of phlebitis  
**RESITE THE CANNULA**  
**CONSIDER TREATMENT**

All of the following signs evident and extensive:

- Pain along the path of the cannula
- Erythema
- Induration
- Palpable venous cord

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Advanced stage of phlebitis  
or start of thrombophlebitis  
**RESITE THE CANNULA**  
**CONSIDER TREATMENT**

All of the following signs are evident and extensive:

- Pain along the path of the cannula
- Erythema
- Induration
- Palpable venous cord
- Pyrexia

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Advanced stage of  
thrombophlebitis  
**INITIATE TREATMENT**  
**RESITE THE CANNULA**

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