

Abstract

SOFT PUSH TABS FOR CATHETER ADAPTER

An IV catheter system (100) having a catheter component (102) and a needle component (104). The catheter component has a catheter hub (120), a cannula (126) extending distally from the catheter hub, and a push feature (190) extending outward from the catheter hub. The push feature has an outer surface (420) that receives contact from a digit to move the IV catheter system from an insertion configuration, in which the needle is within the cannula, to a fluid delivery configuration, in which the needle is outside the catheter hub. The needle component has a needle hub (150) and a needle (154) extending distally from the needle hub. The push feature is formed of a flexible material that causes the push feature, in response to pressure exerted on the outer surface by a dressing securing the catheter component to a patient, to deflect the outer surface toward the cannula axis.

Figure 1