

CLAIMS

1. The method of claim 12, wherein an outer edge of the window is spaced apart from an outer edge of the anchor pad.
2. The method of claim 12, wherein an upper surface of the connected portion is coupled to a bottom surface of the stabilization platform.
3. The method of claim 12, wherein the connected portion is coupled to a top surface of the stabilization platform.
4. The method of claim 12, wherein the fold line is positioned distal to a distal end of the stabilization platform.
5. The method of claim 12, wherein the anchor pad further comprises a release liner adhered to the adhesive surface.
6. The method of claim 5, wherein the release liner includes a first section that is adhered to a first portion of the adhesive surface and a second section that is adhered to a second portion of the adhesive surface, wherein the connected portion includes the first portion of the adhesive surface, wherein the fold portion includes the second portion of the adhesive surface.
7. The method of claim 6, wherein the second section extends to the fold line along which the fold portion is folded.
8. The method of claim 6, wherein the second section includes one or more pull tabs.
9. The method of claim 6, wherein the second section includes a slit or a slot.
10. The method of claim 12, wherein the anchor pad is formed of a cloth or a foam material that is configured to absorb the skin adhesive.

11. The method of claim 12, wherein the window extends proximally to the stabilization platform.

12. A method of securing a catheter assembly while a skin adhesive is applied to an insertion site of a catheter, the method comprising:

providing the catheter assembly comprising a catheter hub, a stabilization platform extending from the catheter hub, the catheter that extends distally from the catheter hub, and an anchor pad having an upper surface and a bottom surface opposite the upper surface, the bottom surface forming an adhesive surface, the anchor pad including a connected portion that is coupled to the stabilization platform and a fold portion that extends distally from the connected portion, the fold portion being folded back overtop the stabilization platform such that a portion of the bottom surface is oriented upwardly, the fold portion of the anchor pad including a window, wherein the fold portion is folded along a fold line, wherein the fold line extends through the window;

while the fold portion is folded back in a proximal direction overtop the stabilization platform, inserting a distal tip of the catheter into a vasculature of a patient;

unfolding the fold portion onto skin surrounding the insertion site of the catheter to thereby cause the insertion site of the catheter to be positioned within the window; and

applying the skin adhesive to the insertion site via the window.

13. The method of claim 12, wherein the connected portion of the anchor pad is coupled to a top surface or a bottom surface of the stabilization platform.

14. The method of claim 12, wherein the window is inset from an outer edge of the anchor pad.

15. The method of claim 12, wherein the stabilization platform includes a first wing and a second wing that are coupled to the anchor pad such that the first wing and the second wing are directly adjacent to the window.

16. The method of claim 15, wherein a bottom surface of the first wing and a bottom surface of the second wing are coupled to the anchor pad.

17. The method of claim 12, further comprising releasing the catheter assembly prior to the skin adhesive drying.

18. The method of claim 12, wherein the anchor pad further comprises a slot that extends from the window to an exterior of the anchor pad.

19. A method of securing a catheter assembly comprising:
providing a catheter assembly that comprises a catheter hub, a stabilization platform extending from the catheter hub, and a catheter that extends distally from the catheter hub;
providing an anchor pad having an upper surface and a bottom surface opposite the upper surface, the bottom surface forming an adhesive surface, the anchor pad including a connected portion that is coupled to the stabilization platform and a fold portion that extends distally from the connected portion, the fold portion including a window and a fold line that extends through the window;
folding the fold portion along the fold line back overtop the stabilization platform prior to insertion of the catheter such that a portion of the bottom surface is oriented upwardly;
inserting the catheter;
after insertion of the catheter, unfolding the fold portion onto skin surrounding an insertion site of the catheter to cause the insertion site to be positioned within the window.

20. The method of claim 19, wherein the fold line is positioned distal to a distal end of the stabilization platform.