

FOR PATIENTS...

THE MOD[®] - At Your Bedside For Better Pain Management and Peace of Mind!

CONTROLLING PAIN AFTER YOUR SURGERY

Any surgery can cause pain. To control pain after surgery, most patients receive pain medications through their veins (IV) until they can take pain medications by mouth (oral pain medications). This transition from IV to oral medication usually happens the first day or so after your surgery. Your physician may order a time-released oral pain medication and a pain medication you can receive every few hours "as needed."



A new bedside device, called the MOD[®], which stands for Medication on Demand, delivers your "as needed" medication without delay. The MOD[®] is programmed by your nurse so you can obtain your pain medication from the device when the proper amount of time has passed between doses (as prescribed by your doctor). You no longer need to wait for your pain medication to be brought to you – when it's time to take another pain pill, you're in control!

The MOD[®] is attached to an IV pole which is placed at your bedside within easy reach. You will wear a special wristband that operates the device. You and your nurse are the only people who can obtain your medications from the MOD[®]. If you're not quite ready for your next prescribed dose when the device signals its time, no worries! The MOD[®] will sit ready to respond when you need the medication. Once you remove a dose from the device and take the medication, the MOD[®] clock will remember the time and allow you to get the next dose at the next prescribed time programmed into the device.

Before the MOD[®] was used in hospitals, you would need to ring for a nurse and ask for a dose of your pain medication. The nurse would bring the medication to you, provided the number of hours between doses had been adequate as ordered by your physician. Unfortunately, busy nurses were often unable to bring the medication when requested which caused patients – and the nurses - quite a bit of stress. The MOD[®] alleviates this stress by being at the bedside and ready for you.

Using the MOD[®] is as Easy as 1, 2, 3

The MOD[®] is delivered to your bedside and is placed within your reach. When the light glows green, you can obtain your pain medication.

1. Touch the pain scale with your index finger...
2. Slowly move your wristband across the MOD[®]'s pain scale to open the locked medication tray...
3. Remove and take your pain medication!



Touch...



Swipe...



And Remove!



How Hospitals Measure Pain

It's important that your physicians and nurses know how much pain you are feeling. In the hospital, pain is measured most often on a scale of zero to ten. Zero is the least amount of pain a patient can feel (very little or no pain), with ten being the highest level of pain (extreme pain). Only you can determine your pain level and every patient experiences pain differently.

You will record your pain score (from zero through ten) on the MOD[®] pain scale as part of your request for each dose of your pain medication.

Knowing your pain scores gives your doctor a way to determine if you are getting adequate pain medication to keep you comfortable and on the road to recovery.

55 Must Know Tips for a Safe Hospital Stay

This booklet, written by Sharon Conley MD, provides important and essential tips to help you make your hospital stay as pleasant and safe as possible. Go to www.avancen.com, Resources, to download your copy.

Controlled Pain = Faster Recovery!

With the MOD[®] at your bedside, you can rest easier knowing that your pain medication will be ready and waiting for you when you need it.

The special Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) wristband keeps your medication secure. The device holds up to eight doses of your prescribed medication. The green “ready” light on the front of the device is easy to see day or night and notifies you when your next dose of pain medication is available to you.

The MOD[®] is slightly larger than the size of an average man’s hand. Your nurse will place your device next to your bedside so you can easily reach the device and obtain your pain medication.

Studies have shown that patients who have the ability to access their own pain medications experience better pain control. Better pain control means that you can sleep better, have a better appetite and move about easier so that

you can recover on time from your surgery.

Additionally, patients who transition from intravenous to effective oral pain medications prior to discharge generally do better with pain control after discharge to home.

The MOD[®] – delivering increased comfort, satisfaction, and faster recovery time!

WHAT PATIENTS HAVE SAID ABOUT THE MOD[®]

Patients who have had the MOD[®] at their bedside have, overall, been extremely pleased with the device and the benefits it offers. Here are just a few of the actual comments made by patients during a clinical trial at a hospital in Daytona Beach, Florida...

“I like to know that I do have control of my pain medication and can keep ahead of the pain.”

“I love that thing – well worth its weight in gold.”

“I think it’s an excellent device and many people will benefit.”

“This device is a great idea and very well explained.”

“The overall design is excellent and operates as expected.”



To view a short video about the MOD[®], visit www.avancen.com