

## Procedure for VeriMed™ System Use

### Patient Scanning—Information Retrieval

#### Preparation

- Place the VeriMed Reader on or adjacent to a vital signs assessment cart or in patient registration area.
- Log on to your facility's patient information system (or ED information system if present).

#### Scanning Procedure: Integrated with Patient Assessment

- Any patient presenting confused or unconscious should be assumed to have a subdermal RFID microchip (VeriMed Microchip).
- Be prepared to scan patient for a subdermal microchip while the automated vital sign devices are obtaining data (i.e., BP insufflation cuff, oximeter).
- VeriMed Microchip location: The common site for VeriMed Microchip insertion is the posterior right upper arm, midway between the shoulder and elbow. The site may vary based on pre-existing medical conditions or patient preference.

#### Scanning Procedure

- For more detailed information refer to the instruction manual packaged with the VeriMed Reader.
- Activate the reader by pressing down on the large button located below the display screen.
- The reader will go through several status checks.
- When the word "Ready" or "Searching" displays, depress button and hold down to initiate the scanning process. "Searching" will be displayed on the screen.
- With the button continuously depressed, slowly pass the reader over the area of the patient to be scanned. The VeriMed Reader should be no more than three inches from skin level for optimal read accuracy. It is not necessary to remove clothing to read a VeriMed subdermal microchip.
- When a VeriMed subdermal RFID microtransponder is encountered, a beep will sound and the screen will briefly display "VeriChip" followed by the 16-digit VeriMed ID number.
- The number will be displayed for at least 60 seconds, after which the unit will power down to conserve battery life. Record the ID number.
- Repeat the above steps to reacquire the number or obtain another patient's ID number.
- The numbers are not stored within the VeriMed Reader and thus cannot be recalled.

#### Accessing Patient Information

Follow your institution's Information System protocol for entering the VeriMed ID number to obtain associated information.

Should a VeriMed ID number be obtained which is not accessible within your institution's Information System or your facility does not utilize an Electronic Medical Record system (EMR or EHR), a VeriChip Corporation credentialed physician can obtain patient-provided information furnished at the time of microchip insertion. This procedure is initiated by logging on to a password-protected section of [www.verimedinfo.com](http://www.verimedinfo.com).