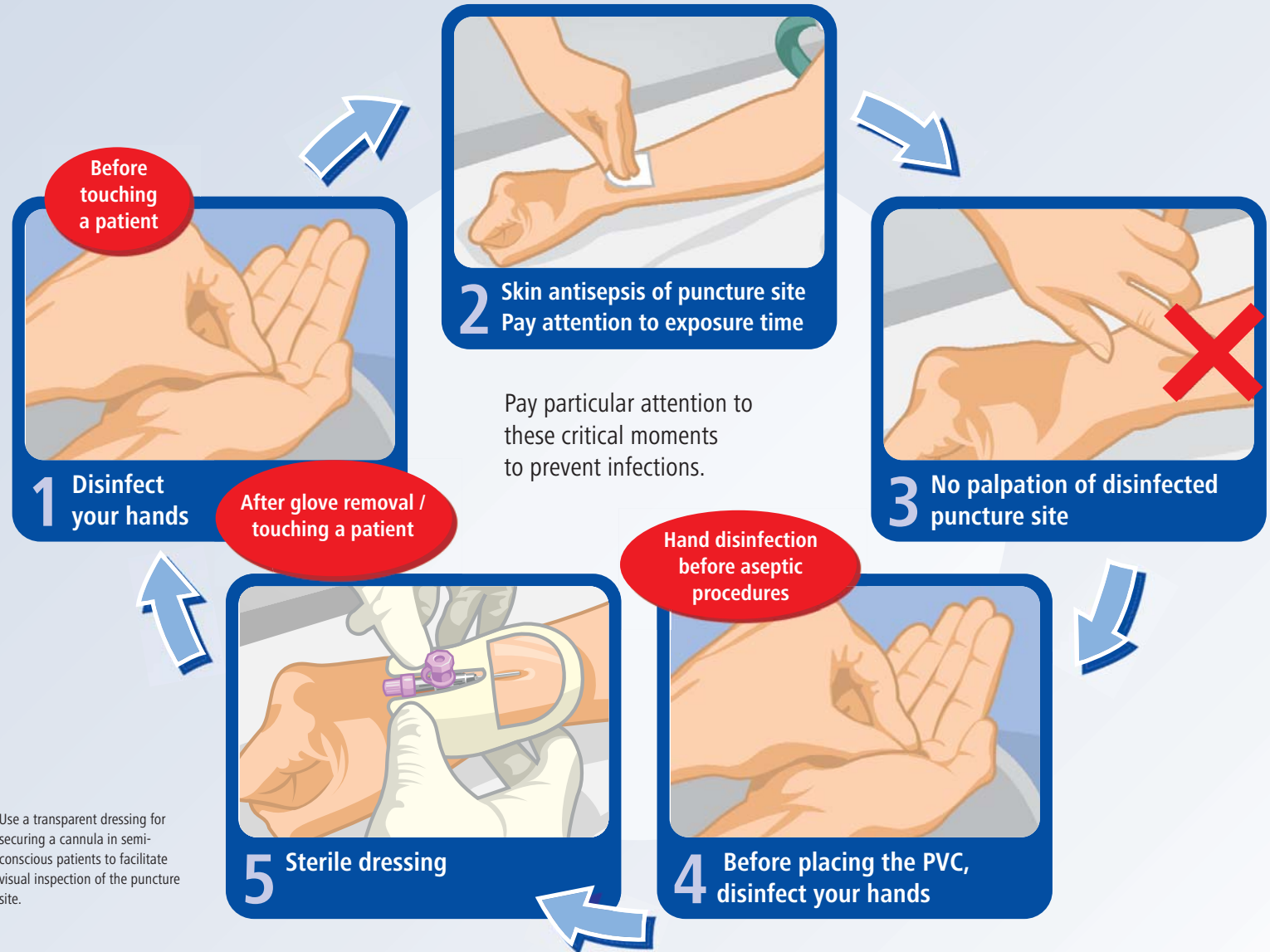




Placing a peripheral venous catheter

Checklist:

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| Hand disinfectant | ✓ |
| Tourniquet | ✓ |
| Swab | ✓ |
| Skin antiseptic | ✓ |
| Examination gloves | ✓ |
| Peripheral venous catheter (PVC), plastic Mandarin obturator | ✓ |
| Sterile dressing (puncture site) | ✓ |
| Fixing materials, e.g. strips of plaster* | ✓ |
| Surface disinfectant | ✓ |



* Use a transparent dressing for securing a cannula in semi-conscious patients to facilitate visual inspection of the puncture site.

Hygienically correct procedures prevent nosocomial infections that, in Germany alone, cause 10,000-15,000 deaths per year.