The new Flume catheter tackles the well-established problems of the Foley which have been extensively documented over its eighty-year life.

The Foley leads to infection, encrustation and blockage which can cause pain, embarrassing leakage and serious medical complications.

The illustrations below show why the Flume should be much better for patients:

**Bladder Bruising**
Damaged mucosa from repetitive Foley tip contact leads to infection and then encrustation/blockage.

**Bladder Mucosal Tears**
Bladder mucosa can get sucked into the Foley drainage holes and damaged. This can lead to infection, encrustation and blockage.

**Residual Urine**
With the Foley catheter, festering urine cannot drain below the drainage holes. In the Flume the bladder empties completely.

**Less Bladder Spasms**
The body always tries to repel unnatural things. The bladder will contract painfully at times (like a womb) to try to expel a catheter. A smaller smooth device will irritate the bladder wall less which should mean reduced pains and urine leakage.

Flume – time to change the catheter.
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