Set-Up

- **Step 1**
  
  **Fill water seal to 2 cm line**
  Add 45 ml of sterile water or sterile saline via the blue suction port located on top of the drain. For models available with sterile fluid (Illustration 1), twist top off bottle and insert tip into suction port (Illustration 2). Squeeze contents into water seal until fluid reaches 2 cm fill line. Once filled, water becomes tinted blue for visibility of air leaks and convenient monitoring of patient pressures.

- **Step 2**
  
  **Connect chest drain to patient**
  Connect chest drain to patient prior to initiating suction.

- **Step 3**
  
  **Connect suction to chest drain**
  Attach suction line to the blue suction port on top of chest drain (Illustration 3).

- **Step 4**
  
  **Turn suction source on**
  Increase suction source vacuum to –80 mmHg or higher. Suction regulator is preset to –20 cmH2O. Adjust as required.