

Wound Management Guideline with TIMES

This guideline supercedes Wound Management Guideline

These criteria are to be used in conjunction with the Trust's Wound Management Policy

		TISSUE						INFECTION / INFLAMMATION					
		Necrotic		Sloughy		Granulating		Epithelialising		Infected		Fungating, Malodorous	
Treatment Aims													
Limb necrosis; it may not be appropriate to use debriding dressings to hydrate necrotic tissue when the blood supply is compromised													
		Debride Remove eschar		Remove slough provide clean base for granulation		Promote granulation Provide healthy base for epithelialisation		Promote epithelialisation and wound maturation		Manage infection		Manage complex wound e.g. bleeding, exudate, malodour, size site	
Treatment Choice		Primary dressing	Secondary dressing	Primary dressing	Secondary dressing	Primary dressing	Secondary dressing	Primary dressing	Secondary dressing	Primary dressing	Secondary dressing	Primary dressing	Secondary dressing
MOISTURE	with a cavity - low exudate	Intrasite	Film	Intrasite	Film	Intrasite	Film	Intrasite	Film	Consult Dressing Formulary for appropriate dressing selection. Failure of the wound to respond to treatment within 7 days should lead to referral to more experienced colleague / Tissue Viability / Infection Control Nurse.		Consult Dressing Formulary for appropriate dressing selection. Failure of the wound to respond to treatment within 7 days should lead to referral to more experienced colleague / Tissue Viability / Would Care Specialist / Infection Control Nurse.	
	- medium exudate	Intrasite	Allevyn Life	Durafiber	Film	Durafiber ribbon	Film	Durafiber ribbon	Film				
	- high exudate			Durafiber	Durafiber Plus	Durafiber packing	Film	Durafiber packing	Film				
	without a cavity - low exudate	Intrasite or Comfeel	Film	Intrasite or Comfeel	Film	Duoderm or Comfeel or Film		Duoderm or Comfeel or Film		In the presence of clinical anaerobic infection, occlusive therapy is not recommended.		In the presence of clinical anaerobic infection, occlusive therapy is not recommended.	
	- medium exudate	Intrasite or Comfeel	Allevyn Life	Durafiber or Allevyn Life	Film	Comfeel or Allevyn Life		Comfeel or Allevyn Life					
	- high exudate			Durafiber or Allevyn Life	Durafiber Plus	Allevyn Life		Allevyn Life					
EDGE	AIM To reduce wound size	Wound evaluations should be carried out at each dressing change and documented accordingly. This evaluation should include wound measurements i.e. length, width and depth. If wound still static after 4 weeks reassess intervention and consider referral to a more experienced colleague / Tissue Viability Outreach Service.											
SKIN	Surrounding skin	Barrier products can be used to protect the periwound skin											