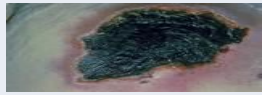
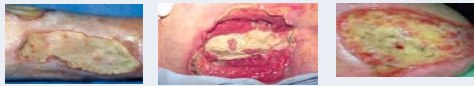

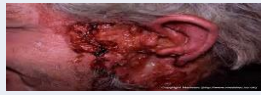







South West Regional Wound Care Program's Community Focused Dressing Selection and Cleansing Enabler – MAINTENANCE/NON-HEALABLE WOUNDS

Wound Appearance					
Description	Eschar	Primarily Slough, Mixed Granulation/Slough, or Fibrin Wounds	Granulation	Malignant Wound	Localized or Spreading Infection (in an otherwise healable wound)
Exudate Level	None → Moderate	Small → Large	Small → Large	Small → Copious	Small → Copious
Depth	Unknown	Partial → Full Thickness	Partial → Full Thickness	Partial → Full Thickness	Superficial → Full Thickness
Treatment Objective	Stabilize/dry necrotic tissue, prevent extension/infection, manage odor**/pain, protect	Absorb/dry, fill dead space, prevent extension/infection, manage odor**/pain, protect	Absorb/dry, fill dead space, prevent extension/infection, manage odor**/pain, protect	Absorb/dry, fill dead space, prevent infection, manage odor**/bleeding/pain***, protect	Absorb/dry, fill dead space, reduce bacterial burden, manage odor**/bleeding/pain, protect
Cleansing (room/body temperature)****	Cleanse exudate from periwound skin. Paint wound with Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2%. Pat or air dry.	POUR Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% solution (min. 100cc). Pat or air dry.	POUR Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% solution (min. 100cc). Pat or air dry.	POUR Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% solution (min. 100cc). Soak with solution if pouring is too painful. Pat or air dry.	7-15 PSI irrigation Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% solution (min. 100cc). Pat or air dry.
<p>Suggested Products and Rate Changes <i>(Dressing change frequency depends on the wear time of the primary dressing and the ability of the dressing components to keep the wound dry)</i></p> <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Exudate capacity of dressings: [0] = none [1+] = small [2+] = moderate [3+] = large [4+] = copious</p> <p>Dressing wear times are found in brackets ()</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>More resources at: www.swrwoundcareprogram.ca</p> </div>	<p>DO NOT DEBRIDE*</p> <p>Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% soaked non-woven gauze [1+] (daily) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or AMD gauze [0-1+] (max 3 days) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or Inadine [0] (max 7 days)</p> <p>Cover Choices: Non-woven gauze [1+], abdominal pad [2+], Mesorb [3+] or Xtrasorb [4+]</p> <p>OR</p> <p>After painting the eschar, leave it open to air if it is stable and non-draining!</p>	<p>DO NOT DEBRIDE*</p> <p>Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% soaked non-woven gauze [1+] (daily) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or AMD gauze [0-1+] (max 3 days) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or Inadine [0] (max 7 days) Or Acticoat Flex 3 [1+] (max 3 days)</p> <p>Cover Choices: Non-woven gauze [1+], abdominal pad [2+], Mesorb [3+] or Xtrasorb [4+]</p>	<p>Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% soaked non-woven gauze [1+] (daily) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or AMD gauze [0-1+] (max 3 days) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or Inadine [0] (max 7 days) Or Acticoat Flex 3 [1+] (max 3 days)</p> <p>Cover Choices: Non-woven gauze [1+], abdominal pad [2+], Mesorb [3+] or Xtrasorb [4+]</p>	<p>DO NOT DEBRIDE*</p> <p>Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% soaked non-woven gauze [1+] (daily) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or AMD gauze [0-1+] (max 3 days) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or Inadine [0] (max 7 days) Or Acticoat Flex 3 [1+] (max 3 days) Or Biatain Alginate or Silvercel Rope [2+] (max 7 days) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or Aquacel Extra or Aquacel Extra Ag [2+] (max 7 days) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days)</p> <p>Cover Choices: Non-woven gauze [1+], abdominal pad [2+], Mesorb [3+] or Xtrasorb [4+] Or Biatain, Biatain Silicone, or Aquacel Foam [2+] (max 7 days)</p>	<p>Consider conservative sharp debridement of NON-VIABLE tissue only, by an ET/WCS, to reduce bacterial burden</p> <p>Povidone or Chlorhexidine 2% soaked non-woven gauze [1+] (daily) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or AMD gauze [0-1+] (max 3 days) +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or Inadine [0] (max 7 days) Or Acticoat Flex 3 [1+] (max 3 days) Or Silvercel Rope or Aquacel Extra Ag [2+] +/- Mepitel, Adaptic, or Telfa Clear [0] (max 7 days) Or Iodosorb [1+] (max 3 days) buttered on Biatain Alginate [2+] or Aquacel Extra [2+] (max 7 days) Or Actisorb Silver [1+] (max 7 days)</p> <p>Cover Choices:</p>
		<p>You may choose to use Biatain Ag Silicone as both your primary and secondary dressing</p> 			
					

* Only debride healable wounds.

** Consider Actisorb Silver [1+] (max 7 days) or topical Metronidazole for odor control once the underlying cause has been determined and managed if possible.

*** Consider Biatain IBU [2+] (max 7 days) for painful, exudating wounds. Dressing must be in direct contact with wound bed.

**** Consider ¼ strength acetic acid or Chlorhexidine 4% soaks (x 5 minutes) for pseudomonas treatment.

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