South West Regional Wound Care Program's Community Focused Dressing Enabler Catalogue

A description of wound dressing products utilized by the South West Community Care Access Centre (CCAC)

Notes:
- This catalogue does NOT contain all items from the South West CCAC ‘IV & Medical Supply Catalogue’
- This catalogue is a visual enabler for practitioners unfamiliar with conventional moist wound healing dressings
Legend

Exudate capacity of dressings found in the catalogue:
[0] = none
[1+] = small
[2+] = moderate
[3+] = large
[4+] = copious

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Dressing Retainer

Tubifast (Molnlycke)

Description

- Dressing retention bandage (NO COMPRESSION)
- Wear time: indefinite
- Can be washed and reused indefinitely
- Exudate capacity: [0+]
- Latex free

Indications

- Hold dressings in place
- Hold IVs in place
- Stump wrapping
- Beneath compression systems
- Over Comprilan compression to keep Comprilan from slipping

Contraindications

- None

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Compression Therapy Dressings

Tubigrip (Molnlycke)

Description
- Elastic tubular bandage/stockinette that provides 10-15 mmHg compression when applied as a double layer
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Wash and reuse max 3 times
- Exudate capacity: [0]

Indications
- To reduce and manage edema/lymphedema
- Venous leg ulcers
- Sprains/strains
- Post burn scarring
- Dressing fixation

Contraindications
- Arterial insufficiency
- ABI >6
- Absence of ABI testing
- Use with caution in diabetic patients
- Latex allergy

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Hydrocolloid Dressings

Comfeel Plus and Comfeel Plus Clear (Coloplast)

Description
- Contains gelatin, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, pectin, and polyurethane top film
- Exudate capacity: [1-2+]
- Sterile, adhesive, ‘clear’ version is thinner and less absorptive
- Wear time: maximum 7 days

Indications
- Autolytic debridement
- Low exudating wounds
- To protect fragile skin

Contraindications
- Moderate to large exudating wounds
- Infected wounds
- Plantar surface diabetic foot ulcers
- Daily dressing changes

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Compression Therapy Dressings

Viscopaste (Smith and Nephew)

Description
- Medicated paste bandage (10% zinc oxide)
- For use as UNNA boot or Dukes boot
- Provide moist wound healing environment when placed directly over ulcers
- Reduces skin irritation
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [0+]

Indications
- Leg ulcers
- Chronic eczema or dermatitis

Contraindications
- Allergy to zinc
- Caution with use of topical corticosteroid or analgesic beneath dressing (increases absorbency)
Compression Therapy Dressings

Profore (Smith and Nephew)

Description
- Four layer, 40mmHg, long stretch compression system
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [0]

Indications
- To reduce and manage edema/lymphedema
- Venous leg ulcers
- ABI ≥ 0.8

Contraindications
- Arterial insufficiency
- Absence of ABI testing
- Use with caution in diabetic patients

Hydrogel

Intrasite Gel (Smith & Nephew)

Description
- Polymer with high water content
- Exudate capacity: [0]
- Sterile, single use packaging
- Wear time: maximum 3 days
- Requires secondary dressing
- DO NOT MIX WITH IODOSORB

Indications
- Autolytic debridement
- Low exuding wounds
- To add moisture/rehydrate

Contraindications
- Moderate to large exuding wounds
- Infected wounds

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Hypergel (Molnlycke)

Description
- Contains 20% sodium chloride, water, and xanthan gum
- Exudate capacity: [0]
- Sterile, single use packaging
- Wear time: maximum 2 days
- Requires a secondary dressing

Indications
- Autolytic debridement
- Low exuding wounds with necrotic tissue

Contraindications
- Moderate to large exuding wounds
- Infected wounds
- Wounds without necrotic tissue
- Periwound skin

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Compression Therapy Dressings

Coban 2 Lite (3M)

Description
- Single use, two layer short stretch compression system
- 30-35mmHg short stretch compression system
- Latex free
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [0+]

Indications
- To reduce and manage edema/lymphedema
- Venous leg ulcers, intolerant of higher compression
- Mixed venous-arterial ulcers
- ABI > 0.5

Contraindications
- Arterial insufficiency
- Absence of ABI testing
- Use with caution in diabetic patients

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Compression Therapy Dressings

**Coban 2 (3M)**

**Description**
- Single use, two layer system
- 35-40mmHg short stretch compression system
- Latex free
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [0]

**Indications**
- To reduce and manage edema/lymphedema
- Venous leg ulcers
- ABI ≥ 0.8

**Contraindications**
- Arterial insufficiency
- Absence of ABI testing
- Use with caution in diabetic patients

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Hypertonic Gauze Dressing

**Mesalt (Molnlycke)**

**Description**
- Sterile sodium chloride impregnated dressing
- Absorbs bacteria, exudate, necrotic material
- Exudate capacity: [1+]
- Wear time: maximum 1 day
- Requires secondary dressing
- Maintains its integrity even when fully saturated

**Indications**
- Autolytic debridement
- Moderate-heavy exuding wounds
- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Wounds with necrotic tissue

**Contraindications**
- Low exuding wounds
- Wounds without necrotic tissue

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Non-Adherent Dressing

Adaptic (Systagenix)

Description
- Cellulose acetate fabric mesh infused with a petrolatum emulsion
- Exudate capacity: [0]
- Sterile, non-adherent
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Requires a secondary dressing

Indications
- Painful wounds
- Prevent secondary dressing adherence to wound bed
- Low-high exudating wounds
- Friable wounds
- Facilitate application of topical preparations

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Comprilan (BSN)

Description
- 20-40mmHg compression
- Short stretch (use two or more sizes at a time)
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [0+]
- Can be washed and re-used 20-30 times, 100% cotton

Indications
- To reduce and manage edema/lymphedema
- Venous leg ulcers
- Mixed venous-arterial ulcers with caution

Contraindications
- Arterial insufficiency
- Latex allergy
- In the absence of an ABI

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Compression Therapy Dressings

**Coban (3M)**

**Description**
- Single use, self-adherent elastic wrap
- 20mmHg compression
- Wear time: maximum 7 days between dressing changes
- Exudate capacity: [0]

**Indications**
- To reduce and manage edema/lymphedema
- ONLY as part of a Duke’s Boot (over Viscopaste)
- Venous leg ulcers
- Mixed venous-arterial ulcers with caution

**Contraindications**
- Arterial insufficiency
- Latex allergy
- In the absence of an ABI

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Non-Adherent Dressing

**Mepitel (Molnlycke)**

**Description**
- Sterile polyurethane mesh dressing
- Exudate capacity: [0]
- Wear time: maximum 14 days
- Requires secondary dressing
- Prevents maceration of periwound

**Indications**
- Painful wounds
- Prevent secondary dressing adherence to wound bed
- Low-high exudating wounds
- Friable wounds
- Beneath VAC sponge
- Facilitate application of topical preparations

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Non-Adherent Dressing

Telfa Clear (Covidien)

Description
- Clear, sterile, mylar, perforated polyester film
- Permeable, non-adherent dressing (topical ointments can pass through it)
- Allows monitoring of wound surface without disrupting the dressing
- Exudate capacity: [0]
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Requires a secondary dressing

Indications
- Painful and/or friable wounds
- Prevent secondary dressing adherence to wound bed
- Low-high exudating wounds
- Facilitate application of topical preparations
- Interface during negative pressure wound therapy

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Negative Pressure Wound Therapy

PICO (Smith & Nephew)

Description
- Promotes granulation tissue formation and perfusion
- Removes exudates and infectious material
- Acticoat Flex suggested as only antimicrobial appropriate for use under this device
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [2+]

Indications
- Low-mod exuding wounds
- Burns and incisions
- Traumatic wounds
- Flaps, grafts
- Dehisced wounds
- Acute/chronic wounds

Contraindications
- Dry wounds or heavily exuding wounds
- Wounds with necrotic tissue
- Directly over underlying structures
- Malignancy
- Non-enteric and unexplored fistulas

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**Negative Pressure Wound Therapy**

**Renasys (Smith & Nephew)**

**Description**
- Promote granulation tissue formation and perfusion
- Remove exudate and infectious material
- Acticoat Flex suggested as only antimicrobial appropriate for use under this device
- Wear time: maximum 3 days between dressing changes
- Exudate capacity: [3+]

**Indications**
- Wounds healing by secondary or tertiary intention
- Burns
- Traumatic wounds
- Flaps, grafts
- Dehisced wounds
- Acute/chronic wounds

**Contraindications**
- Dry or malignant wounds
- Wounds with necrotic tissue
- Do NOT put foam directly over underlying structures
- Untreated osteomyelitis
- During MRI or HBOT
- Non-enteric and unexplored fistulas

**Non-Adherent Dressing**

**Bactigras (Smith & Nephew)**

**Description**
- Sterile tulle gras dressing with antiseptic properties (0.5% Chlorhexidine acetate in white soft paraffin)
- Bacteriostatic and bactericidal
- Open weave gauze with interlocking threads to prevent fraying with cutting of product
- Exudate capacity: [0]
- Wear time: maximum 4 days
- Requires secondary dressing

**Indications**
- Beneath negative pressure dressings
- Prevention and management of increased wound bioburden
- Prevent secondary dressing adherence to wound bed

**Contraindications**
- Allergy to chlorhexidine
- Anionic surfactants/compounds
- Contact with eyes, middle ear, meninges, brain
- < 15% body area coverage

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Calcium Alginate Dressing

Biatain Alginate (Coloplast)

Description
- Guluronic acid and sodium carboxymethylcellulose dressing
- Forms a soft and protecting gel
- Sterile, bioreabsorbable, exudate capacity: [2+]
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Requires a secondary dressing
- Hemostatic
- Contributes to acute inflammatory response

Indications
- Mod-high exuding wounds
- To fill cavities
- Local hemostasis
- Autolytic debridement

Contraindications
- Heavy/uncontrolled bleeding
- Dry and/or infected wounds
- Narrow, deep sinuses

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Highly Absorbent Dressing

Xtrasorb (DermaScience)

Description
- Superabsorbent polymer fiber dressing that binds fluid and converts it to a gel, locking it inside the dressing
- Prevents maceration
- Non-adherent contact layer
- Strike through protection layer
- Conformable
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [4+]

Indications
- Mod-high exuding wounds
- Daily dressing changes, or more frequently
- Non-healable/maintenance wounds
- Under compression dressings

Contraindications
- Dry wounds

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**Highly Absorbent Dressing**

**Mesorb (Molnlycke)**

**Description**
- Non-adhesive primary or secondary dressings for mod-heavy exudating wounds
- Absorbs equivalent of several ABD pads
- Soft, breathable, full pulp core
- Exudate strike-through barrier
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [3+]

**Indications**
- Mod-high exudating wounds
- Daily dressing changes, or more frequently
- Non-healable/maintenance wounds

**Contraindications**
- Dry wounds

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**Hydrofiber® Dressing**

**AQUACEL® EXTRA (Convatec)**

**Description**
- Soft, sterile dressing of carboxymethylcellulose that converts to gel in presence of wound exudate
- Vertically wicks and “locks” exudates and bacteria into dressing
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Requires secondary dressing
- Conforms to wound surface, filling dead space
- Exudate capacity [2+]
- Increased absorbency & stitch bonded for added strength

**Indications**
- Mod-high exudating wounds
- Autolytic debridement
- Painful wounds
- To fill cavities
- To increase wear time of secondary dressing

**Contraindications**
- Dry wounds
- Narrow, deep sinuses

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Transparent Film Dressing

Tegaderm Transparent Film (3M)

Description
- Semi-permeable, polyurethane adhesive film
- Impermeable to liquid and bacteria
- Gentle adhesive
- Sterile, transparent
- Absorptive capacity: [1+]

Indications
- Reduce friction over vulnerable areas
- In combination with other dressings to form island dressings
- Donor sites, partial thickness wounds

Contraindications
- Moderate-large exudating wounds
- Infected wounds
- Apply with NO tension and remove by stretching AWAY from the skin

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Biologic Dressings

Promogran and Promogran Prisma (Systagenix)

Description
- Sterile, freeze-dried, collagen/oxidized regenerated cellulose dressings
- Inhibit protease activity, increase growth factor activity
- Prisma contains 1% silver
- Wear time: maximum 3 days
- Exudate capacity: [0]

Indications
- Clean, granular wound bed that has 'stalled'

Contraindications
- High exuding or dry wounds
- Wounds with necrotic tissue or sinus tracts
- Ethical/cultural issues (bovine component)
- Hypersensitivity to components
- Extensive burns

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**Foam Dressing**

**Biatain IBU Non-Adhesive Foam Dressing (Coloplast)**

**Description**
- Sterile foam dressing that provides continuous release of Ibuprofen
- Low tack surface, therefore minimizes trauma and pain
- IBU released locally with no observed systemic effect
- Can use silver powder or antimicrobial mesh
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [2+]

**Indications**
- Mod-high exudating wounds
- Painful wounds
- Under compression wraps

**Contraindications**
- Do NOT use with protective barrier wipes
- Daily dressing changes
- Dry wounds
- Allergy to ibuprofen
- Do NOT exceed recommended dose

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**Clear Acrylic Dressing**

**Tegaderm Absorbent Clear Acrylic (3M)**

**Description**
- Conformable, absorbent acrylic pad between two layers of transparent adhesive film
- Impermeable to contaminants, liquid, bacteria, and viruses
- Gentle adhesion
- Extended wear time: maximum 21 days (allows for wound monitoring without changing the dressing)
- Sterile, transparent
- Absorptive capacity: [2+]

**Indications**
- Low exudating wounds, i.e. skin tears
- Autolytic debridement
- Partial --> full thickness wounds
- As a protective dressing

**Contraindications**
- Do NOT cut acrylic pad
- Infected wounds
- Mod-high exudate

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Charcoal Dressing

**Actisorb Silver (Systagenix)**

**Description**
- Activated charcoal dressing in a nylon sleeve, sterile
- Impregnated with silver (antimicrobial)
- Absorbs odor
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Requires secondary dressing
- Exudate capacity: [1+]

**Indications**
- Controlling odor (once cause of odor has been addressed)
- Management of increased wound bioburden

**Contraindications**
- DO NOT CUT
- Highly exuding wounds
- Investigate cause of odor, i.e. infection, and treat

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Foam Dressing

**Biatain and Biatain Silicone (ConvaTec)**

**Description**
- Non-adhesive foam dressing or adhesive soft-silicone bordered dressing
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Biatain non-adhesive can be cut; silicone form cannot be cut
- In its adhesive form it’s shower proof and a barrier to external contaminants
- Exudate capacity: [2+]

**Indications**
- Low mod exuding wounds
- Non-adhesive form appropriate under compression
- Painful wounds

**Contraindications**
- High exuding or dry wounds
- Daily dressing changes

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Foam Dressing

Aquacel Foam (ConvaTec)

Description

- Gentle silicone adhesive border designed to adhere to surrounding skin, not to the wound bed
- Non-adhesive also available
- Waterproof and bacterial/viral barrier top layer
- Soft absorbent foam pad enhances patient comfort and absorbs excess fluid
- Aquacel interface gels on contact with wound exudates to maintain a moist environment
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [2+]

Indications

- Low-moderate exudating wounds
- Under compression

Contraindications

- Highly exudating or dry wounds
- Daily dressing changes

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Antimicrobial Dressing

Iodosorb (Smith & Nephew)

Description

- Cadexomer iodine ointment
- Starch absorbs exudates and slowly releases 0.9% cadexomer iodine
- Proinflammatory effect
- Wear time: maximum 3 days
- Reduces pain and odor
- Exudate capacity: [1+]
- DO NOT USE WITH INTRASITE GEL!

Indications

- Autolytic debridement
- Management of increased wound bioburden

Contraindications

- Iodine hypersensitivity, Hashimoto’s Thyroiditis, hyperthyroidism, non-toxic thyroid goiter
- Children
- Low exuding wounds
- Maximum 3 months treatment
- Do not exceed 50gms per application

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Antimicrobial Dressing

Inadine (Systagenix)

Description
- Non-adherent 10% povidone-iodine antimicrobial dressing
- Broad spectrum antiseptic, including MRSA
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Requires secondary dressing
- Exudate capacity: [0]

Indications
- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Prophylactically to prevent infection
- Non-healable/maintenance wounds

Contraindications
- Highly exuding wounds
- Iodine allergy
- Before/after use of radio-iodine
- Kidney problems
- Pregnant or breastfeeding
- Caution with thyroid disease

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Antimicrobial Dressing

Biatain Ag Silicone (Coloplast)

Description
- Sterile, self-adherent, soft-silicone bordered ionic Ag foam dressing
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [2+] 
- May help to reduce odor from micro-organisms
- Shower proof
- Barrier to external contaminants

Indications
- Moderate—large exuding wounds
- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Prophylactically to prevent infection
- Non-adhesive form appropriate under compression

Contraindications
- Silver allergy

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Antimicrobial Dressing

Hydrofera Blue (Hollister)

Description

- Antimicrobial absorbent foam dressing
- Compatible with enzymatic debriding agents, fibroblast growth factors and compression therapy
- Physically binds to harmful endotoxins
- Wear time: maximum 3 days, requires secondary dressing
- Pre-moisten with sterile water or saline
- Exudate capacity: [2+]

Indications

- Moderate—highly exudating wounds
- Management of increased wound bioburden

Contraindications

- Third-degree burns
- Allergy or sensitivity to methylene blue or gentian violet

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Antimicrobial Dressing

Acticoat Flex 3 (Smith & Nephew)

Description

- Knitted polyester with nanocrystalline silver
- Flexible, comfortable
- Wear time: maximum 3 days
- Exudate capacity: [1+]
- Requires a secondary dressing

Indications

- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Can use with negative pressure wound therapy

Contraindications

- In conjunction with other silver dressings
- Do not use zinc oxide at periwound
- Silver sensitivity
- During MRI exam
- Prior to radiation therapy
- Exposed organs

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Antimicrobial Dressing

**AQUACEL® EXTRA Ag (Convatec)**

**Description**
- Soft, sterile, ionic silver hydrofiber® dressing
- Absorbs, sequesters, retains exudate and kills bacteria
- Transforms into a gel, comfortable
- Wear time: maximum 7 days, requires secondary dressing
- Exudate capacity: [2+]
- Increased absorbency & stitch bonded for added strength

**Indications**
- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Prophylactically to prevent infection
- Autolytic debridement
- Moderate-high exuding

**Contraindications**
- Dry wounds
- Sensitivity to silver
- Narrow, deep sinuses
- In conjunction with other silver dressings

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**Polyhexamethylene Biguanide Transfer Foam (Covidien)**

**Description**
- Double sided foam pad impregnated with 0.5% PHMB
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Requires a secondary dressing (this product transfers exudate vertically to a secondary dressing for extended wear time)
- Non-adherent, non-drying
- Exudate capacity: [2+]

**Indications**
- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Prophylactically to prevent infection
- Beneath compression
- Moderate-high exudates
- Painful wounds

**Contraindications**
- With Dakin’s or bleach solutions
- Sensitivity to PHMB
- Full third degree burns
- Wounds with eschar or scabs (low exudating)

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Antimicrobial Dressing

Polyhexamethylene Biguanide Gauze (Covidien)

Description
- Impregnated with 0.2% PHMB
- Wear time: maximum 3 days
- Requires secondary dressing
- Exudate capacity: [1+]
- Sterile

Indications
- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Prophylactically to prevent infection
- Wrapped around/in between toes to wick moisture and manage superficial microbial burden
- Skin folds
- Wound packing

Contraindications
- With Dakin's or bleach solutions
- Sensitivity to PHMB
- Full third degree burns

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Silvercel Rope (Systagenix)

Description
- Sterile, silver hydrofiber-alginate
- Flexible, comfortable
- Wear time: maximum 7 days
- Exudate capacity: [2+]
- Requires a secondary dressing

Indications
- Management of increased wound bioburden
- Minor bleeding
- To fill wounds
- Autolytic debridement
- Moderate-high exudating wounds
- Prophylactically to prevent infection

Contraindications
- Silver sensitivity
- Do not use zinc oxide on periwound
- Surgical implantation
- Pregnant or lactating women
- Deep, narrow sinuses

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