

NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde

Basic Wound Dressings & Accessories Formulary 2016/18

Basic Dressings and Accessories Formulary, product data and prescribing guidance was developed by the ADTC Therapeutics Multi Disciplinary Short Life Working Group. This will be monitored regularly by the Therapeutics Subgroup of the Area Drugs and Therapeutics Committee.

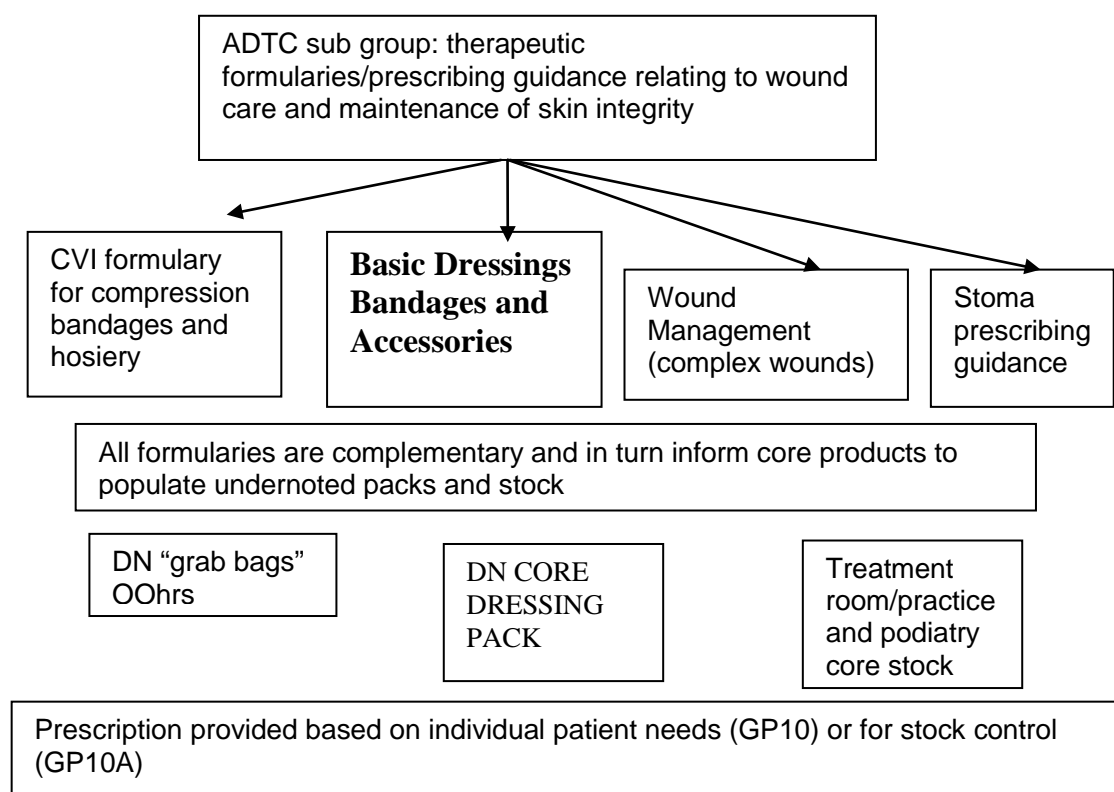
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Foreword

The Prescribing Pharmacy Support Non Medical Prescribing Team input ensures that the GP / primary care view is considered on issues and processes that can affect prescribing within general practice. Prescribing governance is achieved through the medicines advisory committees; the Area Drugs and Therapeutics Committee (ADTC) and functions on behalf of NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde (NHSGGC). The Therapeutics Sub Group is a multi disciplinary group which aims to promote high quality, safe, equitable and cost effective prescribing, with a focus on appropriate use of products. One of the main roles of the group is the development and monitoring of formularies which encompass non drug related products on Scottish Drug Tariff.

The **Basic Dressings and Accessories Formulary** and the accompanying product data sheets have been developed as an integral part of this process and complement the current non drug formularies. Those which are wound care related are noted for context in table one.

Table one: Current non drug therapeutic formularies/prescribing guidance



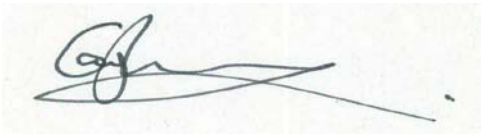
There may be some overlap with some products between the Wound and Chronic Venous Insufficiency formulary where products used for basic wounds, may also be used as secondary dressings with complex wounds or chronic oedema. This allows for a wider choice of products to support the broad range of skin lesions encountered in primary care and will support cost effective care when using a structured approach to patient assessment. For completeness accessories are included which may be of value in all formularies including retention bandages, cleansing agents and dressing packs.

Product choices can all be prescribed regardless of prescribing status.

To reduce waste and ensure timely access to products it is essential when prescribing any product that the prescription includes correct size and volume required, taking into account expected number of dressing changes and duration of treatment. Cost of products is included on the summary table as an indicator to support this process. Costs are based on September 2015 BNF and may be subject to change.

It is recognised that variation in product choice may occur in specialist areas or according to individual patient need. It is the responsibility of the prescriber to ensure that the product choice will support positive patient outcomes and reduce waste of resources.

The Basic Dressings and Accessories Formulary will follow the same structure as the NHSGGC Formulary with choices being subdivided into two categories: Preferred List (P) – these represent the first line choices for treatment covering the majority of wound care requirements. The Total List (T) – generally contains products which may provide different size range or expected to be used less frequently.



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Dressing		Size and cost per product			
Basic wound contact Layer : Low adherence dressings					
P	*N-A Ultra [®] Systagenix	9.5cm x 9.5cm (33p)	19cm x 9.5 cm (67p)		
P	*Atrauman [®] Hartmann	5cm x 5cm (27p)	7.5cm x 10cm (28p)	10cm x 20cm (63p)	20cm x 30cm (£1.72)
T	Jelonet [®] Smith & Nephew	10 x 10 cm (41p)			
Absorbent Dressings: Light exudate with adhesive border					
P	*Premierpore	5cm x 7cm (5p)	10cm x 10cm (12p)	10cm x 15cm (18p)	10cm x 20cm (32p)
		10cm x 25cm (36p)	10cm x 30cm (45p)	10cm x 35cm (52p)	
Absorbent perforated plastic film faced dressing: low exudates					
P	Telfa [®] Aria Medical	7.5 x 5cm (12p)	10 x 7.5 cm (16p)	15 x 7.5 cm (18p)	20 x 7.5 cm (29p)
P	Absopad [®] Medicareplus Int	10 x 10cm (13p)	20 x 10 cm (28p)		
Absorbent dressings non adhesive moderate to heavy exudates					
P	Celludress [®] Medicare Int	10 x 10 cm (19p)	10 x 15cm (20p)	10 x 20cm (22p)	15 x 20cm (30p)
		20 x 25cm (40p)	20 x 30 cm (85p)		
P	*Zetuvit [®] E sterile Hartmann	10cm x 10cm (21p)	10cm x 20cm (25p)	20cm x 20cm (39p)	20cm x 40cm £1.10
P	Zetuvit E [®] non sterile Hartmann	10cm x 10cm (7p)	10cm x 20cm (9p)	20cm x 20cm (14p)	20cm x 40cm (27p)
Advanced wound dressings: Absorbent dressings non adhesive heavy exudates					
P	Kliniderm super absorbent [®] Aria Med	10 x 10 cm (49p)	10 x 15 cm (69p)	20 x 20 cm (99p)	20 x 30 cm (£1.49)
P	*Zetuvit Plus [®] Hartmann	10cm x 10cm (63p)	10cm x 20cm (87p)	15cm x 20cm (£1.00)	20cm x 25cm (£1.37)
		20cm x 40cm (£2.11)			
Vapour permeable film dressing					
P	*Hydrofilm [®] Hartmann	6 x 7 cm (22p)	10 x 12.5 cm (42p)	10 x 15 cm (52p)	10 x 25 cm (81p)
		12 x 25 cm (86p)	15 x 20 cm (96p)	20 x 30 cm (£1.60)	
Vapour-Permeable Films and Membranes					
P	*Hydrofilm Plus [®] Hartmann	7.2 x 5 cm (18p)	9 x 10 cm (27p)	9 x 15 cm (30p)	10 x 20 cm (45p)
		10 x 25 cm (60p)	10 x 30 cm (68p)		
Hydrocolloid					
P	Duoderm Extra thin [®] Convatec	7.5 x 7.5 cm (79p)	5 x 10 cm (76p)	10 x 10 cm (£1.31)	15 x 15 cm (£2.84)
		9 x 15 cm (£1.76)	9 x 25 cm (£2.81)	9 x 35 cm (£3.93)	
Odour absorber secondary dressing					
P	Clinisorb [®] Clinimed	10 x 10 cm (£1.84)	10cm x 20cm (£2.45)	15cm x 25cm (£3.96)	
Topical antimicrobials					
T	Actilite [®] honey tulle [®] Advancis Medical	5 x 5cm (57p)	10 x 10cm (98p)	10 x 20 cm (£1.90)	
T	*Povitulle [®] CDMedical Ltd	5 x 5 cm (33p)	9.5 x 9.5 cm (49p)		
Wound irrigation solutions NaCl 0.9%					
P	Irripod [®] CDMedical Ltd Pods	25ml x 20 (£5.76)			
P	Stericlens [®] CDMedical Ltd Aerosol	100ml (£2.03)	240 ml (£3.06)		
Wound care accessories : Retention Bandages and adhesive tape					
P	Comfifast [®] tubular bandage [®] Synergy	3.5cm x 1m- red line (56p)	5cm x 1m – green line (58p)	7.5cm x 1m– blue line (77p)	10.75cm x 1m – yellow line (£1.20)
		17.5cm – beige (£1.83)			
P	Knit band [®] Clinisupplies	5cm x 4m (10p)	7cm x 4m (15p)	10 cm x 4m (17p)	15cm x 4m (30p)
P	K soft [®] padding layer [®] Jrgo Ltd	10cm x 3.5m (45p)	10cm x 4.5m (56p)		
P	Clinipore [®] Adhesive tape [®] Clinisupplies	1.25 cm x 5m (35p)	2.5cm x 5m (59p)	5cm x 5m (99p)	
P	Primafix [®] Permeable adhesive tape [®] Smith & Nephew	5cm (£1.58)	10cm (£2.32)	15cm (£3.43)	20cm (£4.22)
Dressing procedure packs					
P	Nurse It [®] Medicare Int	pack (54p)			
T	Dress it [®] Richardson Healthcare	pack (60p)			

P – Preferred List **T** – Total List -

Disclaimer – seek further information on products from manufacturer's instructions

NA ultra® (Systagenix) **P**

BNF Category: Basic wound contact dressing: Low adherence dressings

Sub category: Knitted viscose primary dressing

Description: Primary wound contact layer consisting of a knitted viscose rayon sheet with a silicone coating.

Sizes
9.5 x 9.5cm
9.5 x 19cm

Indications for use	Provides a contact layer directly onto the wound surface. Basic wound dressing for non-complex wounds: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• minor burns• abrasions• superficial wounds• contact layer under compression bandage
Contraindications/cautions	Allergy to silicone Wound exudate with high viscosity which may result in pooling below dressing and maceration
How to apply/remove	Place flat onto the wound surface, bumpy side down Removal: Should lift off wound with no adherence
Frequency of dressing changes	Dependent on the nature of the wound, can be left in place for up to 7 days e.g. under compression bandaging
Prescribers guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• usually used for wounds where adhesive bordered dressing not appropriate• number of dressings required for course of treatment
Variation in acute	None known

Atrauman® (Hartmann) P Jelonet® (Smith & Nephew) T							
BNF category: Basic wound contact dressing: Low adherence dressings Sub category: Knitted polyester primary dressing (Atrauman) Sub category: Paraffin Gauze Dressing (Jelonet)							
Description: Knitted Polyester Primary Dressing Impregnated with Neutral Triglycerides, conforms to wound bed. Sizes: <table border="1" data-bbox="539 488 1053 595"> <thead> <tr> <th>Atrauman®</th> <th>Jelonet®</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>7.5 x 10cm</td> <td>10 x 10 cm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10 x 20 cm</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Atrauman®	Jelonet®	7.5 x 10cm	10 x 10 cm	10 x 20 cm	
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Indications for use	Provides a contact layer directly onto the wound surface. Basic contact layer dressing for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor burns (Jelonet, usually initiated in acute care for burns management or dermatology conditions) • Abrasions • Superficial wounds • A cost effective alternative to silicone contact layer products when dressings are changed more than once a week 						
Contraindications/ cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be used under compression; however risk of adherence to wound bed if minimal exudate present. • Use with caution on chronic low exuding wounds with viscous exudate which may result in pooling and restricted drainage through dressing pores. 						
How to apply/remove	Apply: Place flat onto the wound surface with 2.5cm border May be applied in multiple layers “fluffed” up to reduce risk of adherence and frequency of dressing changes. Can to cut or folded to size Removal: Raise corner and peel back off wound						
Frequency of dressing changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dependent on the nature of the wound, can be left in place for up to 7 days; however may require more frequent changes if there is a risk of desiccation or unexpected increase in exudate with need to review dressing regimen and/or more frequent changes. • If secondary dressing allows strike through e.g. bandages or dry dressings there is a risk of bacterial ingress with requirement for review of dressing regimen or more frequent changes Patient may prefer to change their own dressing when carrying out general social hygiene and to promote independence.						
Prescribers guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Usually used for low exuding wounds • Atrauman® is a cost effective alternative to silicone contact layer dressings, if greater than once a week dressing changes are required. 						
Variation in acute	None known						

Telfa pad[®] (Aria Medical) **P**
Absopad[®] (Medicareplus Int) **P**

BNF Category: Basic wound contact dressing: Low adherence dressing
Sub category: Absorbent perforated plastic film faced dressing

Description: low adherence contact layer dressing consisting of three layers: perforated film polyester film wound contact layer, absorbent cotton pad and hydrophobic backing

Sizes:	Telfa[®] sterile	Absopad[®]
	5 cm x 7.5 cm	10 x 10cm
	10 cm x 7.5 cm	20 x 10 cm
	7.5 cm x 15 cm	
	7.5 cm x 20 cm	
	Telfa[®] non sterile	
	20 cm x 7.5 cm	
	25 cm x 20 cm	

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superficial wounds • Abrasions • Post op wounds • Lightly exuding wounds • Lower depth of these products may be of value in difficult to dress areas e.g. toe nail avulsion
Contraindications/ cautions	Use with caution on chronic wounds which produce copious or viscous exudate. Under these circumstances, the exudate may become trapped under the dressing, leading to maceration and inflammation of the surrounding skin.
How to apply/remove	Telfa [®] can be applied any side down Absopad film surface direct to wound bed
Secondary layer	Retention bandage or secure with tape
Frequency of dressing changes	As exudate dictates – for low or minimal exudate. Patient may prefer to change their own dressing when carrying out general social hygiene and to promote independence.
Prescribing guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volume of dressings required for treatment • Sterile dressings are individually wrapped • Telfa[®] is also available in non sterile form, if required in bulk
Variation in acute	No equivalent in acute care

PREMIERPORE® (Shermond) P**BNF Category:** Basic Wound Contact Dressing**Sub category:** Absorbent perforated dressing**Description:** Adhesive, absorbent, low profile island dressing.

Sizes	
5 x 7cm	10 x 25cm
10 x 10cm	10 x 30cm
10 x 15cm	10 x 35cm
10 x 20cm	

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post operative incision sites • Lightly exuding wounds • Abrasions
Contraindications/ cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any known sensitivity to adhesives • If patient requires showerproof dressing • Moderate to high levels of exudates
How to apply/remove	<p>Place directly over wound ensuring the absorbent pad covers the wound and/or suture line</p> <p>Removal: Lift one corner and peel back gently NB: staining or moisture apparent on outer dressing signifies strike through and risk of bacterial ingress. If so change dressing more frequently or review formulary choice e.g. Hydrofilm Plus</p>
Frequency of dressing changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post operative dressings, in general can be removed after 48 hours • 2 – 3 times weekly dependent on individual patient needs and social hygiene requirements • Patient may prefer to change their own dressing when carrying out general social hygiene and to promote independence
Prescribers guidance	<p>Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volume of dressings required for treatment to reduce waste
Variation in acute	None known.

Zetuvit E[®] (Paul Hartmann) sterile and non sterile available **P**
Celludress[®] (Medicareplus International)

BNF Category: Basic wound contact dressing:
Sub category: Absorbent dressings

Description: absorbent cellulose pad with blue fluid repellent backing for moderate to high level of exudate.

Sizes:

Zetuvit E[®] sterile and non sterile		Celludress[®]	
10cm x 10cm	20 x 20 cm	10 x 10 cm	15 x 20 cm
10cm x 20cm	20 x 40 cm	10 x 15 cm	20 x 25 cm
		10 x 20 cm	20 x 30 cm

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a secondary dressing to manage exudate in heavily exuding wounds As a primary dressing to manage excess serous exudate e.g. leaking oedematous limbs Under compression therapy for increased fluid handling capability
Contraindications/ cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None listed
How to apply/remove	Apply blue backing uppermost, facing away from the wound.
Secondary dressing	Retention bandage or tape
Frequency of dressing changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As exudate dictates If strike through occurs review frequency of change requirement or consider e.g. Zetuvit Plus[®], Kliniderm Superabsorbent[®] If exudate increases review treatment regimen to establish underlying cause
Prescribing guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be used as a cost effective alternative to secondary foam or silicone dressing Volume to be prescribed for treatment period to avoid waste Non sterile Zetuvit E[®] provides a cost effective alternative, when used as a secondary dressing or when frequent changes required, as appropriate
Variation in acute	Eclipse[®] (Advancis Medical) NB: Any discharge supply of dressings should be used up prior to reassessment. If further dressings are required then patient should be prescribed preferred primary care choice.

Zetuvit Plus® (Paul Hartmann) Kliniderm Super Absorber® (Aria Medical) P										
BNF Category: Basic Wound dressing Sub category: Super absorbent cellulose and polymer primary dressing										
Description: Super absorbent pad that contains a blend of cellulose and fluid retaining superabsorbent particles with water-repellent, air permeable, non-woven layer for highly exuding wounds.										
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Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavily exuding acute and chronic wounds • As secondary dressing for exudate management under compression bandages or direct to oedematous legs for exudate management • Kliniderm Super Absorber® is low profile and can be used when less bulk is required 									
Contraindications/ cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low level of exudate as wound contact layer if risk of adherence • Do not use with larvae therapy. Outer waterproof layer will suffocate larvae 									
How to apply/remove	Apply: Direct to wound bed, or as secondary dressing over primary dressing									
Secondary dressing	Retention bandage or tape									
Frequency of dressing changes	As exudate dictates									
Prescribers guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost effective alternative to foam or silicone dressings when used as secondary dressings 									
Variation in acute	Eclipse® is nearest equivalent NB: Any discharge supply of dressings should be used up prior to reassessment. If further dressings are required then patient should be prescribed preferred primary care choice.									

Hydrofilm® (Hartmann) **P**

BNF Category: Advanced Wound Dressings

Sub Category: Vapour permeable film dressing (Semi-permeable Adhesive Dressing)

Description: Conformable adhesive waterproof film dressing with high moisture vapour transmission rate.

Sizes	
6cm x 7cm	12cm x 25cm
10cm x 12.5cm	15cm x 20cm
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10cm x 25cm	

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Superficial wounds with minimal exudate• Abrasions• Provide showerproof bacterial barrier wound contact layer on post op incisions
Contraindications/cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Heavily exuding wounds• Fragile skin if risk of skin tears• Known sensitivities to excipients
How to apply/remove	<p>To apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remove film backing paper• Apply direct to wound surface with approximately 2.5 cm border• Peel off frame and smooth edges. The frame prevent stretching the dressing to apply and reduces risk of discomfort and skin tears <p>For removal: Gently lift corner and pull backwards towards centre of wound and stretch off</p> <p>For further advice refer to manufacturers instructions</p>
Frequency of dressing changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be left in situ up to seven days.• Transparency of dressing will allow assessment of wound bed without removal, to inform frequency of changes
Prescribers guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: Volume of dressings required based on number of wound care interventions required
Variation in acute	Tegaderm® (3M) NB: Any discharge supply of dressings should be used up prior to reassessment. If further dressings are required then patient should be prescribed preferred primary care choice

Hydrofilm Plus[®] (Hartmann) P											
BNF Category: Advanced Wound Dressings Sub Category: Vapour permeable adhesive film dressing with absorbent pad											
Description: Conformable adhesive waterproof film dressing with high moisture vapour transmission rate and adsorbent island pad											
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Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low exuding wounds • Provide showerproof bacterial barrier wound contact layer • Minor traumatic wounds such as grazes, abrasions and lacerations • Post operative surgical wounds • Superficial burns • Can be used as a secondary dressing 										
Contraindications/ cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hydrofilm should not be used as a primary dressing on clinically infected, bleeding or heavily secreting wounds • Known sensitivities 										
How to apply/remove	<p>Apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove film backing • Apply to wound ensuring absorbent pad is covering wound bed or incision line • Peel off frame following application to prevent stretching skin and risking epidermal blistering and smooth edges <p>Removal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When absorbent lift corner and pull backwards towards centre of wound <p>For further advice refer to manufacturers instructions</p>										
Frequency of dressing changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When absorbent pad is 80% discoloured change dressing or earlier if wound assessment dictates • If exudate level results in greater than 2-3 times per week changes, or exudate becomes more discoloured or viscous reassess treatment regimen 										
Prescribers guidance	<p>Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Film allows inspection of wound and surrounding skin when used as a primary dressing • Low absorbency capacity 										
Variation in acute	<p>Tegaderm Plus Pad[®] (3M) NB: Any discharge supply of dressings should be used up prior to reassessment. If further dressings are required then patient should be prescribed preferred primary care choice.</p>										

Duoderm Extra Thin®: Convatec **P****BNF Category:** Advanced Wound Dressings**Sub category:** Polyurethane matrix dressing without adhesive border**Description:** Semi-permeable conformable low absorbency hydrocolloid adherent occlusive dressing

Sizes	
5 x 10	9 x 15cm
7.5 x 7.5cm	9 x 25cm
10 x 10cm	9 x 35cm
15 x 15cm	

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superficial low exuding wounds • To debride low levels of slough by autolysis • Primary dressing on clean granulating/epithelialising wound • Secondary dressing over Aquacel® (Jubilee technique) on post operative incisions in highly exuding wounds • Secondary dressing to provide showerproof, bacterial barrier • To protect peri-wound margins when using NPWT or Larvae therapy
Contraindications/ cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Known sensitivities to carboxymethylcellulose, gelatin, pectin • Heavily exuding wounds when used direct to wound bed • Known wound infection • Should not be applied to exposed muscle or bone
How to apply/remove	<p>Apply: dry surrounding peri wound skin Peel backing layer and place directly on wound bed, allowing a 3cm border around wound bed.</p> <p>Can be cut to size</p> <p>Removal: Press down gently on skin and lift corner of dressing stretching each edge until free.</p>
Frequency of dressing changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Semi transparent qualities and will allow for viewing of wound bed. • Change when gelling of 80% of dressing has taken place or if wound assessment is required. • If Jubilee technique is used, change when underlying Aquacel has fully gelled or if wound assessment is required.
Prescribers guidance	<p>Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frequency of dressing change when prescribing volume

Variation in acute	None known.				
Clinisorb® (CliniMed) P BNF Category: Odour Absorbent Dressing					
Description: Activated charcoal cloth enclosed in viscose rayon with outer polyamide coating, which adsorbs volatile fatty acids removing the malodour from the wound.					
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Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary dressing over primary contact layer dressing. • Management of malodorous wounds whilst underlying cause is being addressed (e.g. debridement, management of infection) • Low to moderate exuding wounds • The polyamide coating reduces the risk of adherence to wound bed and can be used as a primary dressing when appropriate or around malodorous device insertion sites (e.g. gastrostomy tubes) • Can be cut to size 				
Contraindications/ Cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None listed • Increased exudate levels will reduce effectiveness of dressing 				
How to apply/remove	Apply: Cut to size if required Place directly over primary dressing Both sides are the same and therefore can be used either side down. Removal: Lift from wound pulling corner of dressing up and peel off				
Frequency of dressing changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to dressing becoming wet • As dictated by wound assessment requirement 				
Prescribing guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volume of products required • Assess and treat cause of odour • Once underlying cause of odour has been addressed, there will no longer be a requirement for this product • Cost effective alternative to silver charcoal dressings when used as a secondary dressing 				
Variation in acute	None known				

Povitulle® (CD Medical) **T**

Actilite® (Advancis Medical) **T**

BNF Category: Advanced Wound Dressings

Sub Category: Antimicrobial dressings

Description:

Povitulle®: Povidone Iodine 10% knitted viscose net dressing

Actilite®: Medical grade manuka honey 99% and manuka oil 1% knitted viscose sheet dressing 99% manuka honey and 1% manuka

Sizes:

Povitulle®	Actilite®
5 x 5 cm	10 x 10 cm
9.5 x 9.5 cm	10 x 20 cm

Indications for use

- Reduce bacterial burden in superficial low exuding wounds with signs of local infection
- Actilite may be used for patients whom iodine based products are contraindicated or alternative honey and iodine based products are not tolerated by patient
- Can be used under compression

Contraindications/cautions

- Any known sensitivities to bee venom (Actilite)
- Renal/thyroid impairment, lithium therapy (Povitulle)
- NB for full list of cautions/contraindications refer to product literature and BNF

How to apply/remove

Apply: Iodine based products can stain or irritate surrounding skin therefore ensure products do not have large border outwith wound bed.

“Bumpy” side should be in contact with wound bed

Products can be cut to size

Centre the dressing on the wound and apply directly onto wound bed.

Removal: lift corner of dressing and peel back from wound

Frequency of dressing changes

Povitulle® should be changed when the dressing is pale brown. Can be left in place up to one week; however if antimicrobial dressing is required more frequent assessment may be required

Prescribers guidance

Volume of products prescribed should reflect short term use e.g. two week supply in first instance and review treatment plan. Antimicrobials should only be used on the small number of patients who need them and educate those who don't.

Recent Health Technology Assessment Report 13 (Dec 2015) on the use of antimicrobial wound dressings for chronic wounds highlighted the lack of evidence for their routine use.

Acute variation

Inadine®
No Actilite® equivalent

Irripods® (CD Medical) **P**
Stericlens® (CD Medical) **P**

BNF category: Skin cleansers, antiseptics and desloughing agents
Sub category: Irrigation solutions (NaCl 0.9%)

Description: A thin hydropolymer foam with non-adherent wound contact layer.

Sizes:

Irripods®		Stericlens®
25ml x 10 pods		100mls
		240 mls

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For topical irrigation of wounds to remove loose slough, debris and chronic wound fluid from wound bed Social cleansing of peri wound margins
Contraindications/ Cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not mix with other fluids for irrigation unless directed Do not use for injection Aerosol is pressurised container and should not be exposed to high temperatures, punctured or burnt. Local disposal regulations and requirements apply.
How to apply	<p>Apply: Pods. Twist off nozzle to break seal. Squeeze pod in a downward direction and apply to area requiring irrigation.</p> <p>Aerosol: Direct nozzle to area requiring irrigation and spray approx 10cm from wound surface to reduce risk of spray back and allow maximum coverage of wound bed.</p> <p>Can be used through 360 degrees or upside down for awkward to irrigate areas</p> <p>Replace cap after use and store in clean area</p> <p>Refer to manufacturers instructions for further details if required</p>
Frequency of use	At each wound intervention.
Prescribers guidance	<p>Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aerosol design allows all saline to be used with no waste. Consider number of interventions and volume required at each dressing change to reduce waste Clean granulating wounds do not require routine cleansing Patient may irrigate wound in shower, which can negate need for saline irrigation
Acute variation	none known

Comfifast® (Synergy Health plc) **P****BNF Category:** Bandages**Sub category:** Tubular bandages and garments (elasticated)

Comfifast®: Conformable elasticated viscose stockinette tubular bandage. 92% viscose, 5% elastane, 3% polyamide

Sizes:

colour code	sizes width and length available	Application
red line	3.5 cm x 1m	small limb (8-15cm)
green line	5.0cm x 1m, 3m, 5m	small/medium limb (10 – 25cm)
blue line	7.5 cm x 1m, 3m, 5m	large limb (20 – 45 cm)
yellow line	10.75cm x 1m, 3m, 5m	extra large limb, head, children trunk (35-65cm)
beige line	17.5 cm x 1 m	adult trunk (50 – 120cm)

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To hold primary dressing in place holds wound dressing in place without need for pins or tape Can be used following application of dermatology products to reduce staining to clothing Is not intended as compression therapy
Contraindications/cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure Comfifast® is correct size is applied by competent practitioner to prevent tourniquet effect, slippage or damage to skin integrity
How to apply/remove	<p>Apply: measure area for correct size choice</p> <p>Removal: roll off like a stocking.</p>
Frequency of dressing changes	When dressing changes or treatment required
Prescribers guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be washed and reused when appropriate For irregular shaped limbs Comfifast Multi Stretch® may be considered Comfifast® sizes are colour coded to inform correct prescription
Variation in acute	No

Knit Band® (Clinisupplies) P BNF Category: Bandages Sub category: Lightweight conforming bandages						
Description: Lightweight knitted polyamide and cellulose contour retention bandage competent						
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Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dressing retention 					
Contraindications/cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandage should be applied by practitioner to prevent tourniquet effect, slippage or damage to skin integrity • Allow for swelling following application of product between changes to ensure there is no constriction 					
How to apply/remove	<p>Apply:</p> <p>Bandaging is a basic procedure but if carried out incorrectly it has the potential to cause considerable harm, for example by restricting movement or blood flow.</p> <p>Bandages can be used to fix or retain a primary dressing product. In some instances, the bandage is simply wrapped around the affected area and secured with tape</p> <p>Removal: unwind bandage.</p> <p>To avoid trauma, particularly if bandage is in direct contact with skin, do not remove using scissors, loosen and unwind dressing.</p>					
Frequency of dressing changes	When wound dressing change dictates					
Prescribers guidance	Volume of bandages should be in line with number of dressing changes					
Variation in acute	None known					

Clinipore® (Clinisupplies) **P**
Primafix® (Smith & Nephew) **P**

BNF Category: Wound Care tape
Sub Category : Surgical adhesive tape

Description:

Clinipore®: Permeable non woven synthetic adhesive tape

Primafix®: Permeable apertured non woven synthetic adhesive tape

Sizes:

Clinipore®	Primafix®
1.25cm x 5m	5cm
2.5cm x 5m	10cm
5cm x 5m	15cm
	20 cm

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retention of dressings and bandages Fixing ostomy appliances Fastening lightweight tubing When repeat usage is required
Contraindications/ cautions	Any known sensitivity to adhesive Do not apply to broken skin
How to apply/remove	<p>Apply: direct to required area, avoid large adhesive margins to ensure patient comfort and minimise risk of discomfort on removal</p> <p>Removal: loosen corner of tape and peel back For very fragile skin adhesive remover may be required, which is applied over surface of adhesive border (refer to Therapeutic Stoma Prescribing Guidance for preferred choice)</p>
Secondary Dressing	NA
Frequency of dressing changes and removal	As wound dressing regimen dictates
Prescribers guidance	<p>Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider the use of basic adhesive dressings when appropriate to negate need for tape
Acute variation	No variation to acute clinical settings.

KSoft® (Urgo) P BNF Category: Compression bandages Sub Category : Sub compression wadding bandage				
Description: soft absorbent padding layer <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sizes</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>10 cm x 3.5m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10 cm x 4.5m</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Sizes	10 cm x 3.5m	10 cm x 4.5m
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Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normally used as sub compression wadding layer for shaping and protecting bony prominences under compression bandages • May also be used for padding, protecting bony prominences and extra absorbency on limbs under retention bandages 			
Contraindications/ cautions	None listed			
How to apply/remove	Apply: as directed dependent on purpose			
Secondary Dressing	Retention bandage			
Frequency of dressing changes and removal	As wound dressing or exudate dictates			
Prescribers guidance	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose of product, absorbent pads may also be used if extra absorbency required 			
Acute variation	No variation to acute clinical settings.			

Nurse-It[®] (Medicareplus International) **P**

Dress-It[®] (Richardson) **T**

BNF Category: Wound care accessories

Sub category: Dressing packs

Description: Procedure dressing pack for use in primary care, to provide a sterile working surface with contents to support aseptic technique when carrying out wound management.

Sizes of gloves: Small/medium and medium/large gloves available

NB variation in contents of packs

Nurse-It[®]	Dress-It[®]
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Latex Free, Powder Free, Nitrile Gloves x one pair• Non-Woven Swabs x 7• Laminated Paper Sterile Fields x 2• Paper Towel x 1• Large Apron x 1• White Polythene Disposable Bag x 1• Compartment Tray x 1• Disposable Forceps x 1• Laminated Paper Sterile Field x1• Paper Measuring Tape x 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vitrex gloves x one pair• Softswabs 4 ply x 4• Absorbent pad x 1• Sterile field x 1• Paper towel x 1• Large apron x 1• Disposable bag

Indications for use	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dressing pack for patients to support aseptic wound management in domiciliary setting.
Contraindications/ cautions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None noted
Prescribing guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing:• Pack size 10; take this into account when prescribing to avoid waste dependent on number of dressing changes
Acute variation	Standard dressing packs available; contents vary

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NHS GG&C Code of Business Conduct for staff:

<http://www.staffnet.ggc.scot.nhs.uk/Corporate%20Services/Board%20Admin/Pages/Code%20of%20Conduct%20for%20Staff.aspx>

NHS GG&C Prescribing webpage, formulary information, guidance and resources under "other formularies/Non-medicines Formularies" <http://www.ggcprescribing.org.uk/prescribing/>

Standards of proficiency for nurse and midwife prescribers

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