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## **Introduction**

Walsall Wound Management Formulary provides the framework to standardize the practice of wound management across the health economy.

The wound management formulary is intended to support specialist services in their delivery of evidence based healthcare, treatment choices and care planning.

It has been formulated following a full review and consultation with both acute and community healthcare practitioners and Tissue Viability Specialists. It is intended to facilitate the continuity of a shared range of products across primary and secondary care with an overall aim to ensure seamless treatment and service provision.

The wound care formulary is available for all practitioners throughout Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust.

This document has been devised by the wound care group.

The formulary aims to provide a clinically effective range of products, appropriate for the management of the vast majority of wounds, selected on the basis of clinical need, cost effectiveness, best evidence available and suitability.

## **Aims**

The aims of this document are to:

- Promote best practice in wound management throughout Walsall Health economy
- Guide practitioners in the appropriate dressing choice
- Standardize appropriate practice
- Promote continuity of care
- Promote rational prescribing
- Support the practical application of nurse prescribing

**Note: There are products not listed in this formulary document that are in a separate ancillary wound formulary product list. This can be found on the Trust website and net formulary website as this list is subject to changes and is live to promote real time cost efficiency savings.**

## 1. Responsibilities of the practitioner

An appropriate wound care assessment should be completed by a qualified practitioner. Individuals are responsible for maintaining their own professional knowledge and competence to ensure they work within the limits of their competence (NMC 2015). All patients with an open wound will have an assessment and a care plan devised by a registered practitioner. The practitioner will be accountable and responsible for the plan of care following initial assessment and any subsequent changes.

Wound products should be selected from the formulary using the first (colour coded green) and second line (colour coded orange) guidance available in the document. It should be noted that all products have different properties and should be selected after an appropriate assessment has taken place. Guidance on the use of emollients should be taken from the dermatology formulary.

Choose an appropriate size dressing to fit the wound for cost effectiveness. Ensure that any active part of the dressing covers the wound bed fully. Consider whether the dressing needs to be self-adhesive or whether secondary fixation with a bandage is required to prevent the use of adhesives on delicate skin. Avoid using layers of dressings. Most products are designed as primary wound contact layers; putting layers on top of one another is neither clinically or cost effective. Remember if you mix two interactive dressings you are in effect creating a new product that has no license or evidence to support its use.

Extra absorbency can be achieved through absorbent pads used as a secondary dressing rather than dressings designed to be placed on the wound bed. Check the manufacturer's instructions for the recommended wear time, contraindications and application guidance. Check the product is within the 'use by date'. Ensure that the products are obtained through the recommended route.

Use of 'Boot Stock' (unused named patient products) is seen as fraudulent practice and as such is unacceptable. Similarly use of samples from pharmaceutical companies is not accepted practice.

In an effort to reduce waste, practitioners should be cautious when prescribing quantities of any wound management product. It is understood that this is very much dependent on individual need however unless long term use has been established the practitioner should be prescribing no more than enough dressings to support a maximum of two weeks of dressing changes.

**It's important to note that only the most frequently used dressings' sizes are listed, however other sizes can still be ordered/ prescribed as long as the product remains the same.**

## **2. Specialist Formulary products (identified by the red colour coding)**

These products will either be prescribed directly via the Tissue Viability Nurse, Wound care clinic nurses, vascular nurse, GP/Consultant, Podiatrist or on their behalf following professional recommendation.

Patient documentation will need to reflect the clinical rationale for the use of any specialist product. Exceptions monitoring form must be completed and submitted to Tissue Viability to be reviewed (see appendix)

## **3. Sensitivities and Allergies**

With any medication, product or appliance there is always the potential for any unwanted effects, drug interactions, contraindications or sensitivities. Practitioners should always consider constituents, application, and indications and be aware of any potential sensitivities or contra- indications before commencing treatment with any wound management product.

Should signs of sensitivity reaction develop during the use of any wound management product, treatment should be discontinued and the Yellow Card in the BNF be completed.

## **4. New Products and Review of the Formulary**

A full formulary will be reviewed and updated on a three yearly basis; however products may be reviewed on an ad hock basis

No wound care product evaluations should be undertaken which are not directly linked to the Wound care formulary. This will ensure appropriate monitoring and delivery of a robust process.

Evaluation forms relating to individual product categories must be completed for each individual product evaluation and sent to tissue viability to be discussed at the wound care meetings.

Hydrofibre			
<p><b>Description</b> – Soft, sterile, non-woven pad or ribbon dressing composed of Hydrofibre (sodium carboxymethylcellulose). Absorbs wound fluid and transforms into a soft gel. Provides greater tensile strength and absorption compared to Aquacel.</p> <p><b>Indications</b> – For the management of: leg ulcers, pressure ulcers (categories 1-4), diabetic ulcers, surgical wounds, partial-thickness burns, traumatic wounds, painful wounds, wounds that are prone to bleeding.</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> – Should not be used on individuals who are sensitive to or who have had an allergic reaction to the dressing or its components.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Aquacel Extra (Convatec)	5cm x 5cm	10	
Aquacel Extra (Convatec)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Aquacel Extra (Convatec)	15cm x 15cm	5	

Gelling Fiber			
<p><b>Description</b> - A highly absorbent, non-woven, gelling fibre dressing composed of an unique blend of cellulose-based fibres. When the dressing fibres come into contact with exudate, they swell and form a soft cohesive gel sheet. Exudate is locked within the gel dressing structure.</p> <p><b>Indications</b> – Medium to High. Exuding acute and chronic wounds.</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> - None</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Durafiber (Smith & Nephew)	5cm x 5cm	10	Square
Durafiber (Smith & Nephew)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Durafiber (Smith & Nephew)	15cm x 15cm	5	
Durafiber (Smith & Nephew)	2cm x 45cm	5	Ribbon

Alginates

**Description** – Calcium alginate primary dressing for use in shallow, moist wounds or to help Promote Haemostasis in wounds with minor bleeding or where blood is present in the exudate. Non-woven calcium alginate wound dressing. The fibres swell and form sodium calcium alginate gel in contact with wound exudate

**Indications** – For management of moderate to high exuding wounds. May be used to help manage wounds with minor bleeding.

**Contraindications** – Do not use in individuals with a known sensitivity to any of the components of the dressing.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Sorbsan (Aspen)	5cm x 5cm	10	Non-woven, calcium alginate Fibre. Has limited lateral absorbency, hence does not need to be cut to wound shape. Use as packing for larger cavities too. Removal by irrigation.
Sorbsan (Aspen)	10cm x 20cm	5	
Sorbsan (Aspen)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Sorbsan plus (Aspen)	10cm x 20cm	5	Calcium alginate fibre with absorbent pad, indicated for heavily exuding wounds. Placed on wound with blue side away from wound bed.
Sorbsan plus (Aspen)	10cm x 15cm	5	
Sorbsan Border (Aspen)	11.5cm x 14cm	10	self-adhesive, Calcium alginate dressing. Can be used as a secondary dressing over a Sorbsan packing. Indicated for heavily exuding wounds.
Sorbsan Border (Aspen)	14cm x 24cm	5	
Sorbsan Border (Aspen)	19cm x 24cm	5	
Sorbsan Ribbon (Aspen)	1g / 40cm	5	Cavity wounds with moderate to high levels of exudate packing to be used for large wet cavity wounds. please note should not be used when Wound opening is smaller than the width of the probe provided.
Sorbsan Packing (Aspen)	2g / 30cm	5	

Odour Absorbing			
<p><b>Description</b> – Sterile activated charcoal cloth sandwiched between layers of nylon/viscose rayon cloth. Apply as a primary or secondary dressing. Can be cut to size.</p> <p><b>Indications</b> – Management of malodorous wounds such as fungating wounds, pressure ulcers, leg ulcers and diabetic foot ulcers.</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> – store at room temperature, avoid excess heat and humidity. Not to be used if package damaged</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Clinisorb (Clinimed)	10cm x 10cm	10	Control of malodorous wounds. exudate will reduce the dressings effectiveness

Odour Absorbing			
<p><b>Description</b> – Sterile non-adhesive dressing with an absorbent wound contact layer, an activated charcoal central pad and a water-resistant top layer.</p> <p><b>Indications</b> – For the management of malodorous wounds.</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> – Known sensitivity to the dressing or its components.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Carboflex Odour (Convatec)	8cm x 15cm	5	Oval.  Non-adhesive dressing with absorbent wound contact layer (containing alginate and hydrocolloid) and activated charcoal dressing pad and a smooth water resistant top layer. Do not cut.

Carboflex Odour (Convatec)	10cmx10cm	10	Square Non-adhesive dressing with absorbent wound contact layer (containing alginate and hydrocolloid) and activated charcoal dressing pad and a smooth water resistant top layer. Do not cut.
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Film Dressings			
<b>Description</b> – Vapour-permeable transparent film dressing. Latex -free			
<b>Indications</b> – for primary or secondary dressing/fixation. For use on non-or lightly exuding wounds.			
<b>Contraindications</b> – Not suitable for infected wounds			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Clearfilm	6cm x 7cm	10	Removal by lateral stretch and release. Can be cut to size.
Clearfilm	12cm x 12cm	10	
Clearfilm	15cm x 20cm	10	
Clearfilm	30cmx30cm	10	

Foams			
<p><b>Description</b> – Dressing that combines an absorbent hydrocellular foam pad sandwiched between soft silicone adhesive, waterproof outer film.</p> <p><b>Indications</b>- wound management suitable for fragile skin</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> – None listed. For details of precautions please contact supplier.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Allevyn gentle border (Smith & Nephew)	7.5cm x 7.5cm	10	
Allevyn gentle border (Smith & Nephew)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Allevyn gentle border (Smith & Nephew)	12.5cm x 12.5cm	10	
Allevyn gentle border (Smith & Nephew)	17.5cm x 17.5cm	10	
Allevyn Non adhesive (Smith & nephew)	5cm x 5cm	10	
Allevyn Non adhesive (Smith & nephew)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Allevyn Non adhesive (Smith & nephew)	20cm x 20cm	10	
Allevyn Non adhesive (Smith & nephew)	10cm x 20cm	10	
Allevyn Multisite (adhesive) (Smith & Nephew)	17.1cm x17.9cm	10	Tri-lobed version of Allevyn Gentle Border, for use on difficult to dress areas.

Hydrocolloids			
<p><b>Description</b> – Sterile, thin hydrocolloid dressing.</p> <p><b>Indications</b> – Chronic wounds: dry to lightly exuding wounds</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> – Known sensitivity to the dressing or its components. Use with caution on diabetic feet, planter surface</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments

Duoderm (Signal) (Convatec)	10cm x 10cm	5	Square bordered dressing an indicator helps to determine when to change the dressing.
Duoderm (Signal) (Convatec)	11cm x 19cm	5	Oval
Duoderm (Extra Thin) (Convatec)	7.5cm x 7.5cm	5	Square
Duoderm (Extra Thin) (Convatec)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Duoderm (Extra Thin) (Convatec)	15cm x 15cm	10	

## Hydrogels

### Aquaform

**Description** – Clear viscous sterile gel

**Indications** – assists in the debridement of slough and necrotic tissue. Suitable for most types of wound.

**Contraindications** – Do not use in individuals with a known sensitivity to any of the components. Do not use on full-thickness burns. Precaution: where wound infection is observed, the patient should be treated under the medical advice of a physician and the appropriate systemic treatments should be instigated when so directed. Treatment with Aquaform may be continued, under medical supervision.

### Intrasite Conformable

**Description** – A non-woven dressing impregnated with amorphous hydrogel. The hydrogel is partially hydrated so as to donate moisture to drier environments and absorb in wetter conditions.

**Indications** – Indicated for use in open wounds. Can be used on infected wounds under medical supervision.

**Contraindications** – None listed. For details of precautions please contact supplier.

### Xtrasorb HCS Adhesive

**Description** – Hydrogel dressing with superabsorbent polymers designed to donate moisture to dry and sensitive wound conditions while simultaneously absorbing up to moderate amounts of wound exudates and retaining it within the dressing available with or with border.

**Indications** – Dry to moderately exuding wounds.

**Contraindications** – Third-degree burns and heavily bleeding wounds.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Aquaform Hydrogel 8g (Aspen)	8g	10	Gel should be applied to a minimum depth of 3mm.  Requires secondary dressing.
Intrasite Conformable (Smith & Nephew)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Intrasite Conformable (Smith & Nephew)	10cm x 20cm	10	dressing for use with deep, shallow and open wounds.
Intrasite Conformable (Smith & Nephew)	10cm x 40cm	10	Maximum wear-time 3 days.
Xtrasorb HCS Adhesive (Derma Sciences)	11cm x 11cm	10	

Xtrasorb HCS Adhesive (Derma Sciences)	8cm x 8cm	10	
Xtrasorb HCS Adhesive (Derma Sciences)	15cm x 15cm	10	

### Hydrogels

**Description** – Non-adhesive, ionic hydrogel sheet dressing that will either donate or absorb moisture, depending on the moisture level of the wound. The gel is permeable to moisture but impermeable to bacteria.

**Indications** – As a primary dressing to assist in autolytic debridement by hydrating necrotic and sloughy tissue, and also by absorbing exudate. Suitable for painful wounds and skin conditions such as leg ulcers, burns, scalds and radiation therapy damage. To manage nociceptive wound pain. To be used with a secondary dressings where appropriate. Can be used under compression

**Contraindications** – Should not be used as a covering for deep, narrow cavities or sinuses. Wound should be checked frequently, as rapid absorption may lead to wound becoming dryer than expected. Use with film top-liner intact where there is little or no exudate. Dressing should be changed if it becomes discoloured or opaque.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Actiform Cool (Activa)	10cm x 15cm	3	Rectangular
Actiform Cool (Activa)	5cm x 6.5cm	5	Square
Actiform Cool (Activa)	10cm x 10cm	5	

**Non Adherent Wound Contact Layers**

**Atrauman**

**Description** – Non-adherent, polyester mesh wound contact layer. 1mm pore size and impregnation of neutral triglycerides prevent penetration of granulation tissue into dressing. Effective for up to 7 days. Petrolatum free.

**Indications** – As a primary wound contact layer for a wide variety of wounds.

**Contraindications** – None listed.

**N-A Ultra**

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

**Indications** – For use on ulcerative and other granulating wounds beneath main dressing

**Contraindications** – do not use if allergic to silicone.

<b>Product &amp; Manufacture</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Atrauman (Hartmann)	20cm x 30cm	10	Does not contain Vaseline or Paraffin, leaving the wound residue free.
Atrauman (Hartmann)	5cm x 5cm	50	Keeps wound edges soft and supple, avoiding contraction of scar tissue
Atrauman (Hartmann)	7.5cm x 10cm	50	
Atrauman (Hartmann)	10cm x 20cm	30	Enhances non-adherent properties minimizing pain and trauma on removal.
N A Ultra (Systagenix)	9.5cm x 9.5cm	40	Low adherent contact dressing. No absorbent capacity.
N A Ultra (Systagenix)	9.5 x 19cm	25	

**Non adherent wound contact layer**

**Description** – a non adherent flexible wound contact layer containing a TLC Healing matrix that promotes wound healing and allows pain free dressing changes. May be left in place for up to 7 days

**Indications** – Non-to low-exuding wounds, and epidermolysis bullosa.

**Contraindications** – Known sensitivity to any components of the dressing.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Urgotul (Urgo)	5cm x 5cm	40	
Urgotul (Urgo)	10cm x 10cm	25	
Urgotul (Urgo)	15cm x 20cm	16	
Urgotul (Urgo)	20cm x 30cm	5	

**Absorbent Dressing Pads**

**Description** – Latex free, ultra absorbent dressing pad

**Indications** – Exuding wounds

**Contraindications** – None listed.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Xupad ( Richardson Healthcare )	10cm x12 cm	25 sterile	
Xupad (Richardson Helathcare)	10cm x 20cm	25 sterile	
Xupad (Richardson Healthcare)	20cm x 20cm	15 sterile	

**Absorbent Dressing Pads**

**Description** – Superabsorbent dressing. Comprises of soft non-woven outer contact layers for comfort with a superabsorbent core to lock away exudate, bacteria and MMPs the dressing features a horizontal wicking layer and heat sealed border suitable under all forms of compression.

**Indications**- For moderate to heavily exuding wounds

**Contraindications** – None listed.

<b>Product &amp; Manufacture</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Kerramax Care (Crawford)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Kerramax Care (Crawford)	22cm x 10cm	10	
Kerramax Care (Crawford)	22cm x 20cm	10	
Kerramax Care (Crawford)	30cm x 20cm	5	

Adhesive Post OP Dressings			
<b><u>365 non woven island dressing</u></b>			
<b>Description</b> – Breathable Self-adhesive island wound dressing			
<b>Indications</b> – Minor injuries and postoperative wounds.			
<b>Contraindications</b> – non listed			
<b><u>Clearpore</u></b>			
<b>Description</b> A vapour permeable transparent adhesive dressing with absorbent pad. Latex free			
<b>Indications</b> suitable for use on low to moderate exudates levels. Clean post op wounds minor burns. Can be used as a primary or secondary dressing.			
<b>Contraindications</b> – none listed			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
365 (365 Healthcare)	5cm x 5cm	25	Stretch dressing laterally and release to remove.
365 (365 Healthcare)	5cm x 7.2cm	50	
365 (365 Healthcare)	8cm x 6cm	25	
365 (365 Healthcare)	10cm x 15cm	25	
365 (365 Healthcare)	10cm x 20cm	25	
365 (365 Healthcare)	10cm x 25cm	25	
Clearpore (Richardson Healthcare)	6cm x 7cm	60	
Clearpore ( Richardson Healthcare)	10cm x 10cm	50	
ClearPore (Richardson Helathcare)	10cm x 20cm	30	
Clearpore (Richardson healthcare)	10cm x 35cm	30	

Barrier Creams			
<p><b>Description</b> – Non sting barrier cream  <b>Indications</b> – Protection of intact or skin that has been damaged by moisture, bodily fluids, adhesive products and friction  <b>Contraindications</b> – not to use on infected skin</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Medi Derma- s Medical barrier cream ( Medicareplus )	28g	tube	Apply sparingly to intact skin. Reapply following every 3 <sup>rd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> episode of incontinence. (usually twice per day)
Medi Derma- s Medical barrier cream ( Medicareplus )	2gm	Cream Sachet	

Barrier Film			
<p><b>Description</b> –Non sting barrier film dressing  <b>Indications</b> – protection of skin that has been compromised by or is at risk of moisture associated damage from incontinence wound exudate, perspiration and or irritation from adhesive products  <b>Contraindications</b> – Do not use on infected skin.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Medi Derma- s Medical barrier film (Medicareplus )	28ml	Bottle Single patient use.	No sting barrier film spray to be used on broken or excoriated skin. Following application ensure film fully dry before allowing skin surfaces to touch e.g. natal cleft.
Medi Derma- s Medical barrier film (Medicareplus )	1ml	5	

**Barrier Creams**

**Description** – Barrier cream containing active med honey antibacterial honey. Helps to reduce inflammation, prevent maceration, excoriation and irritation resulting for effects of incontinence and diarrhoea can be applied to injured skin, peri wound areas

**Indications** – Can be applied around wounds, on pressure areas and in skin folds Incontinence skin care; peri-stomal skin protection. Treats candidiasis intetrigo, incontinence associated dermatitis and atopic eczema damage caused by friction or shear. Suitable for all skin types

**Contraindications** – None listed. Patch test before use

<b>Product &amp; Manufacture</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Medihoney Barrier Cream (Derma Sciences)	50g	Tube	Apply sparingly at each application. Can be used on excoriated skin.
Medihoney Barrier Cream (Derma Sciences)	2g	Sachet	

### Impregnated Bandages

**Description** – Zinc paste and ichthammol bandage BP.

**Indications** – Venous leg ulcers. Where venous insufficiency exists, the paste bandage should be used under graduated compression bandaging. Chronic eczema / dermatitis where occlusion is indicated.

**Contraindications** – Do not use in known cases of sensitivity or allergy to any of the ingredients. For details of precautions, please contact supplier.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Ichthopaste (Smith & Nephew)	7.5cm x 6m	1	Ichthopaste (6% Zinc oxide, 2% Ichthammol). Application from the base of toes to the tibial tuberosity (with the foot at right angles). Patients can develop sensitivities – patch testing always advised.

### Short Stretch

**Description** - Two-layer (Actico), cohesive, inelastic (short-stretch) bandage.

**Indications** – Compression bandaging of limbs with venous disorders (i.e. venous leg ulcers) and the control and reduction of chronic oedema and lymphedema in the lower limbs and arms.

**Contraindications** – Must not be applied to patients with an ABPI of <0.8, and under strict supervision in patients with diabetes and advanced small vessel disease. Bandage contains low-sensitivity latex.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Actico (Activa)	10cm x 6m	1	Cohesive short stretch bandage. Use the Profore layer 1 as the padding wool layer beneath the Actico.
Actico (Activa)	4cm x 6m	1	
Actico (Activa)	6cm x 6m	1	
Actico (Activa)	8cm x 6m	1	
Actico (Activa)	12cm x 6m	1	

**Antimicrobial for infection**

**Medihoney Apinate**

**Description** – standardised antibacterial honey dressing containing calcium alginate medihoney antibacterial honey

**Indications** – Leg / Foot Ulcers, Pressure ulcers, Malodourous Wounds, Donor and recipient Graft Sites, Burns, Surgical Wounds, Diabetic Wounds, Abrasions.

**Contraindications** – If the patient has a known sensitivity to honey or calcium alginate.

**Medihoney – Wound Gel**

**Description** – Standardized medical-grade honey with antibacterial action, combined with waxes and oils to increase viscosity and aid application. Available in 2 sizes of single patient use tubes.

**Indications** – Infected wounds

**Contraindications** – If the patient has a known sensitivity to honey.

**Actilite**

**Description** – Non-adherent viscose net dressing coated with 99% Manuka Honey and 1% Manuka Oil.

**Indications** – Infected wounds

**Contraindications** – If the patient has a known allergy to bee venom. Blood sugar levels should be monitored in patients with diabetes. A stinging sensation may be experienced when applying the honey, if this unacceptable remove dressing and discontinue use.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Medihoney Wound Gel (Dermasciences)	10g tube 20g tube	20 1	
Medihoney Antibacterial wound gel (Dermasciences)	50g tube	1	
Medihoney Apinate	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm	10 5	
Medihoney Apinate Ribbon	1.9 x 30cm	5	
Actilite (Advancis)	10cm x 10 cm	10	Suitable for low to moderate exuding wounds
Actilite (Advancis)	10cm x 20cm	10	

Antimicrobial for infection			
<b>Inadine</b>			
<b>Description</b> – Non-adherent dressing impregnated with 10% povidone-iodine			
<b>Indications</b> – Infected wounds			
<b>Contraindications</b> – Should not be used where there is a known iodine hypersensitivity; before and after the use of radio-iodine (until permanent healing); if the patient is being treated for kidney problems, is pregnant or breastfeeding; in cases of Duhring's herpetiform dermatitis (a rare skin disease). Must be used under medical supervision: in patients with any thyroid diseases; in newborn babies and infants up to the age of 6 months as povidone-iodine may be absorbed through unbroken skin; when treating deep ulcerative wounds, burns or large injuries.			
<b>Iodoflex</b>			
<b>Description</b> – Cadexomer iodine dressing with iodine.			
<b>Indications</b> – For infected wounds			
<b>Contraindications</b> – Should not be used on dry necrotic tissue or on patients with a known sensitivity to any of its ingredients. Do not use on children, pregnant or lactating women or people with thyroid disorders or renal impairment. For details of precautions, please contact supplier			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Inadine (Systagenix)	5cm x 5cm	25	May adhere to wound bed causing tissue trauma if allowed to dry out. Suitable for superficial infected wounds with low exudate. colour change indicates when to change dressing.
Inadine (Systagenix)	9.5cm x 9.5cm	25	
Iodoflex (Smith & Nephew)	5gm 10gm	5	Chronic infected wounds with moderate to high exudate. Use up to 50g per application, maximum of 150g per week. Loss of brown colour of dressing indicates iodine has been used. Treatment duration not to exceed 3 months without break. Not to be used with patients with thyroid disease. Requires secondary dressing.

**Antimicrobial for infection**

**Flaminal Forte**

**Description** – Alginate gel containing two antimicrobial enzymes, glucose oxidase and lactoperoxidase, which exert their effect without damaging healthy skin cells. Debrides the wound and manages moisture balance. Can be used on a wide range of wound types and at every stage of healing.

**Indications** – Moderately to heavily exuding wounds.

**Contraindications** – Should not be used where patients have a previous sensitivity reaction to alginate dressings or to polyethylene glycol. Should not be used in full-thickness (third- degree) burns.

**Flaminal Hydro**

**Description** – Alginate gel containing two antimicrobial enzymes, glucose oxidase and lactoperoxidase, which exert their effect without damaging healthy skin cells. Debrides the wound and manages moisture balance. Can be used on a wide range of wound types and at every stage of healing. Contains lower proportion of alginate than Flaminal Forte.

**Indications** – Lightly to moderately exuding wounds.

**Contraindications** – Should not be used where patients have a previous sensitivity reaction to alginate dressings or to polyethylene glycol.

<b>Product &amp; Manufacture</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Pack Size</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Flaminal Forte	15g tube	5	
Flaminal Hydro	50g tube	1	

single patient multi-use.

**Second Line Products**

Antimicrobial for infection			
<b>Acticoat Flex 3</b>			
<b>Description</b> – Conformable low adherent polyester layer coated with nanocrystalline silver			
<b>Indications</b> – Antimicrobial for use on infected wounds partial or full thickness wounds including burns, pressure ulcers, leg ulcers and diabetic foot ulcers. The silver will be effective for up to 3 days			
<b>Contraindications</b> – Do not use in patients with known sensitivity to silver or patients undergoing MRI investigations			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Acticoat Flex 3 (Smith & Nephew)	5cm x 5cm		Important note - Order as individual pieces and only amount needed  Larger sizes are available
Acticoat Flex 3 (Smith & Nephew)	10cm x 10cm		
Acticoat Flex 3 (Smith & Nephew)	10 x 20cm		
Acticoat Flex 3 (Smith & Nephew)	20cm 40cm		

Antimicrobial for infection
<b>Atrauman AG</b>
<b>Description</b> – Non-adherent polyamide mesh wound-contact layer. 1mm pore size and impregnated with neutral triglycerides coated with metallic silver. Effective for up to 7 days.
<b>Indications</b> –Infected wounds
<b>Contraindications</b> – Known sensitivity to silver. Must be removed prior to x-ray, MRI, ultrasound or diathermy

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Atrauman AG (Hartmann)	5cm x 5cm	10	Prevents granulation tissue from penetrating the dressing, minimizing pain and trauma on removal.
Atrauman AG (Hartmann)	10cm x 10cm	10	
Atrauman AG (Hartmann)	10cm x 20cm	10	

## Other items

<b>Debridement</b>			
<b>UCS debridement</b>			
<p><b>Description</b> – A sterile pre moistened cloth for wound debridement and cleaning of the surrounding skin  <b>Indications</b> – For debridement of all types of chronic wounds and can also be used to assist removal of hyperkeratosis to the surrounding skin.  <b>Contraindications</b> - None listed</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
UCS debridement wipes/ cloth Medi UK Code DT 500		10	
<b>Pressure reduction – Kerrapro pressure reducing pads</b>			
<p><b>Description</b> –Silicone pads  <b>Indications</b> – For use to protect bony prominences on unbroken skin for patients at risk of developing pressure ulcers. Can also be used to protect from pressure where medical devices are in use  <b>Caution</b> –Product should be removed to check skin at least daily. Can be washed with soap and water making sure the product is dry before reapplication</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Kerrapro (Crawford)	10cm x 10cm x 0.3cm Heel	single	Does not replace need for repositioning, where possible elevate to create no pressure before considering kerrapro

**Products for specialist use only (Exemption forms must be completed and submitted to tissue viability )**

<b>Antibiotic Gels - Infection</b>			
<p><b>Description</b> – Pale yellow clear gel containing 0.75% w/w metronidazole for topical application.  <b>Indications</b> – The deodorisation of malodorous fungating tumours, gravitational ulcers and pressure ulcers.  <b>Contraindications</b> – Not to be used in patients with a known sensitivity to any components of this product. Strong sunlight should be avoided. Contact with the eyes should also be avoided.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Anabact (Cambridge healthcare Supplies – Pharmacy Product)	15g	1	To be prescribed by Doctor or Independent Prescriber.
Anabact (Cambridge Healthcare Supplies – Pharmacy Product)	30g	1	

<b>Hydrogels - Infection</b>			
<b><u>Suprasorb X + Phmb</u></b>			
<p><b>Description</b> –dressing impregnated with PHMB. Designed to regulate moisture levels in the wound.  <b>Indications</b> – Light to moderately superficial and deep wounds in all  <b>Contraindications</b> – Known sensitivity to any components of the dressing.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Suprasorb X + Phmb (Activa)	5cm x 5cm	5	

Suprasorb X + Phmb (Activa)	9cm x 9cm	5	
Suprasorb X + Phmb (Activa)	14cm x 20cm	5	

### Non Adherent Wound Contact Layers

#### Mepitel

**Description** – Soft silicone wound contact layer with silicone on both sides.

**Indications** – Traumatic and chronic wounds. Requires absorbent secondary dressing. Can be used with negative pressure wound therapy systems.

**Contraindications** – Dressing should be used with care in heavily bleeding wounds

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Mepitel (Molnlycke)	5cm x 7cm	5	
Mepitel (Molnlycke)	8cm x 10cm	5	
Mepitel (Molnlycke)	12cm x 15cm	5	

### Absorbent Dressing Pads

**Description** – Superabsorbent leg wrap dressing.

**Indications** – Leg ulcers, superficial wounds, arterial ulcers, diabetic ulcers, lymphoedema and highly diabetic ulcers, lymphoedema and highly exuding wounds.

**Contraindications** – Do not use on arterial bleeds or heavily bleeding wounds.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Eclipse Boot (Advancis)	55cm x 47cm	5	

### Capillary Action Dressings/Super Absorbers

**Description** – Highly absorbent hydration response technology dressing

**Indications** – Management of moderately to highly exuding wounds.

**Contraindications** – Avoid using on wounds with very little or no fluids (risk of drying and adhesion). Only apply to tunnel cavities under appropriate monitoring conditions as the product expands as it absorbs fluids.

Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
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Sorbion Sachet Extra (H & R Healthcare)	10cm x 10cm	5	Can be used under compression. This product will expand as wound fluid is absorbed.
Sorbion Sachet Extra (H & R Healthcare)	20cm x 10cm	5	
Sorbion Sachet Extra (H & R Healthcare)	7.5cm x 7.5cm	5	

Scar Management			
<b>Mepiform</b>			
<b>Description</b> – Self-adherent, soft silicone scar dressing.			
<b>Indications</b> – Old and new hypertrophic scars and keloids, and closed wounds. May prevent the formation of hypertrophic and keloid scars.			
<b>Contraindications</b> – None listed.			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Mepiform (MolyIncke)	5cm x 7cm	5	

<b>Hypergranulation</b>			
<u><b>Haelan Tape &amp; Cream</b></u>			
<p><b>Description</b> – Adhesive, waterproof, occlusive tape impregnated with a topical steroid</p> <p><b>Indications</b> – Adjunctive therapy for chronic, localized, recalcitrant Dermatoses that may respond to topical corticosteroids.</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> – Chicken pox; Vaccinia; tuberculosis of the skin; Hypersensitivity to any components of the tape; facial rosacea; acne vulgaris; perioral dermatitis; perianal and genital pruritus; Dermatoses in infancy; dermatitis napkin eruption; bacterial, viral and fungal infections.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Haelan Tape	7.5cm x 50cm	1	<b>to be prescribed by Dr or independent prescriber</b>
Haelan Cream	60gm	1	<b>to be prescribed by Dr or independent prescriber</b>

<b>Pressure off loading boot</b>			
<u><b>Kerraped Plantar Ulcer</b></u>			
<p><b>Description</b> – A shoe system comprises a therapeutic shoe and insole. The insole is 18mm thick, and combines poron, plastazote and multiform, as well as pegs that can be easily removed to allow selective offloading. After the pegs are removed, an adhesive stabilizer board is attached to the sole. The sole is placed into the therapeutic shoe which has a breathable upper material and an abrasion resistant outer sole. Replacement insole are available</p> <p><b>Indications</b> – Can be used to offload the plantar aspect of the foot.</p> <p><b>Contraindications</b> – Known aspect of any of the components of the Kerraped Plantar Ulcer shoe system. The system must be applied by a suitably qualified healthcare professional. Once modified, it should not be used on more than one patient.</p>			
Product & Manufacture	Size	Pack Size	Comments
Kerraped Plantar Ulcer (Crawford)	Small, Medium & Large	1	

**Appendix 1**

**WOUND MANAGEMENT FORMULARY PRODUCT PRESCRIBING EXEMPTION FORM**

Patient NHS number.....

Name of product prescribed outside of the formulary?  
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What type of wound were you dressing? Location of wound: (e.g. Acute surgical, tissue, type, infected, etc)  
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Why did you choose this product?  
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Name of formulary product and rationale of why it is not suitable:  
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Maximum 2 weeks treatment.

Review date:

Prescribers Name:

Designation:

Work Base:

Date:

Please return by post or email to the Tissue Viability Service, Flat 24 Manor Court, Walsall, WS2 9NG.

Tissue Viability Email: [tissue.viability@walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk](mailto:tissue.viability@walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk)

All forms will be discussed and reviewed at the wound care group and fed back to CCG Joint Medicines Management Committee.

If this form is not completed and the prescriber completes a prescription off formulary this will be deemed as a formulary breach (ref CCG Breach Guidance- Contact medicines management). No Patient identifiable data to be sent to the CCG.

**Appendix**

**Pathway for use of silver dressings in wound care**

The use of silver dressings has increased in recent years which has led to increased wound product spend due to the high cost of such products. It is recognised silver dressings are effective if used appropriately.

Silver dressings are not recommended for routine use and are restricted for use on wounds with Biofims or Infection. Use should be limited to 2 weeks then review with use for further 2 weeks if necessary. Silver should not be used for longer than 4 weeks. If there is no improvement in that time specialist advice should be sought.

Inappropriate use of silver dressings may contribute to the development of resistant organisms.

*Please refer to pathway below and the trust dressing formulary for further information.*

