# POLICY & PROCEDURES

## MedVance® Bordered Silicone Foam Dressing Surgical Wound Dressings

Policy

This policy is intended to support the wound care clinical team in providing consistent, evidence-based, quality standards of care including selection and use of appropriate wound care products consistent with patient wound care needs, product indications and instructions, and facility policies and procedures.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: MedVance® Bordered Silicone Foam Dressing

MedVance® Bordered Silicone Foam Dressing is an absorbent, self-adherent island dressing consisting of polyurethane (PU) foam coated with a soft and hypoallergenic silicone adhesive and breathable polyurethane film. The soft silicone adhesive acts as a gentle wound contact layer and border adhering to the skin around the wound but is non-adherent to the wound bed, providing atraumatic and pain-free removal at dressing changes. This dressing is indicated for management of moderate to heavy exudate, infection control, and promoting moist wound healing while protecting fragile skin from trauma or medical adhesive-related skin injuries (MARSI).

#### INDICATIONS FOR USE

The MedVance® Bordered Silicone Foam Dressing is indicated for management of moderate to heavy exudate, protection from external fluid and microbial contamination, and the maintenance of a moist wound healing environment to support autolytic debridement and tissue growth for positive healing outcomes.

#### FREQUENCY OF CHANGE

Dressing change frequency will vary as wound healing progresses. Daily dressing changes may be required initially until exudation decreases. Change when dressing is saturated, soiled, or according to local protocol (up to seven days). Medicare policy supports reimbursement for up to three bordered foam dressings per week.

### CONSIDERATIONS

- Bordered dressing size selection should allow for a minimum of 2cm of intact skin surrounding the wound to ensure a secure seal
- Bordered or island dressings provide a sealed edge and should not be cut
- Certain skin barrier products may interfere with bordered dressing adhesives
- This dressing promotes autolytic debridement, which may appear initially as an increase in wound size as non-viable tissue is removed as part of the healing process

#### **PRECAUTIONS**

- Foam dressings are not indicated for use on dry to minimally exuding wounds, cavity or tunneling wounds, or for management of third-degree burns
- Do not use on patients with known history of allergy or sensitivity to any dressing components
- Discontinue use if signs and symptoms of sensitivity or allergy occur
- Discontinue use and notify appropriate medical personnel if signs of infection are observed
- Do not use oxidizing solutions, such as hypochlorite solution or hydrogen peroxide solution (H2O2), with foam dressings

Procedure

### SUPPLIES

- MedVance® Bordered Silicone Foam Dressing
- · Clean, disposable gloves
- Sterile, non-woven gauze
- Institution-approved wound cleanser
- Medical tape
- Institution-approved medical waste container

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

- 1. Gather supplies
- 2. Select dressing size to extend 2cm beyond wound edges
- 3. Follow institution protocol for hand washing and gloving techniques
- 4. Carefully remove and dispose of soiled dressing following institution protocol for disposal of medical waste
- 5. Follow wound bed preparation protocol, including wound cleansing and debridement
- 6. Open sterile, single-use dressing package and remove release liner from dressing
- 7. Apply pad to the wound bed and, without stretching, smooth down adhesive border avoiding wrinkles
- 8. Clean wound care procedure area. Remove all supplies utilized for dressing change
- 9. Remove and dispose of gloves
- 10. Wash hands
- 11. Document name, date, time of dressing change per local protocol

