## Guidance for wound management

- All wound should be assessed and documented within the wound assessment chart
- Re-assessment of wound to determine if antimicrobial dressing to continue should be undertaken at a minimum of every two weeks

## Episiotomy wounds

Product	Guidance
Prontosan wound cleanser	Use to wash the area
Prontosan wound gel X	Apply to wound site

## C-Section wounds with small openings

Product	Guidance
Prontosan wound cleanser	Apply to swabs from dressing pack and lay on wound
	cavity for 10 min soak
Flaminate forte gel	Apply to small cavities
Island dressing	Apply over wound

## C-Section wounds with large cavity / Large dehiscence with cavity present

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Prontosan wound cleanser	Apply to swabs from dressing pack and lay on woun		
	cavity for 10 min soak		
Cutimed Sorbact	Open dressing and apply within cavity ( remember to		
	count the number of dressings used and record so they are removed)		
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Kliniderm Foam border	Apply adhesive foam dressing over wound		

Generic Group	Indications for use	Contraindic ations	Application & wear time
Cleansing/Irrigation Solution <b>Prontosan</b> 40ml - (6) 176694 350ml – (12) 133895	Wound irrigation solution containing Betaine which is a gentle effective surfactant which penetrates, disturbs and removes biofilm and wound debris, and PHMB to help control bacterial levels on the wound.	None listed	For wound cleansing Use as a wash for cleansing episiotomy wounds and 10 min soak for cleansing wounds.
Prontosan Gel X – 50g (193585)	For the cleansing, moisturizing and decontamination of acute, chronic wounds. Ready- to-use colourless viscous gel containing betaine and PHMB (to help control bacterial levels on the wound)	None listed	Apply to wound surface and to cavity areas. Daily application or more frequently for episiotomy wounds

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Hydrocolloid Adhesive Thin Dressing <b>Duoderm Extra Thin</b> 9 X 25cm – (10) 165469	Applied in theatre as surgical post op wound dressing Superficial low exuding wounds To debride low levels of slough Primary dressing on clean granulating/ epithelialising wound Secondary dressing to provide showerproof, bacterial barrier To protect peri- wound margins	Known sensitivities to carboxymet hylcellulose, gelatin, pectin	Dry skin, remove backing layer and place directly on wound bed, allowing a 3cm border around wound bed. Change when gelling of 80% of dressing has taken place or if wound assessment is required. Remain <b>up to 7 days</b>
Gelling Matrix dressing	All non-infected sloughy wounds. Can be used with honey ointment.	Known sensitivities to any components of dressing	Remove backing film from TLC layer and apply direct to wound bed. If using rope dressing – document how many used to ensure all product is removed. Remain <b>3 – 5 days</b> or dependant on wound exudates.
Adhesive foam dressing Kliniderm lite border ed	A light, conformable absorbent polyurethane foam dressing with adhesive silicone wound contact layer with waterproof film outer layer and adhesive border. Indicated for pressure ulcers, diabetic foot ulcers, leg ulcers, postoperative wounds, skin abrasions, superficial and partial thickness burns, donor sites and traumatic wounds.	None noted	Dependant on exudates levels Can remain <b>2 - 4</b> <b>days</b> , can be left 7 days on granulating wounds

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Absorbent cellulose dressing Zetuvit	A high capacity absorbent wound pad that holds fluid away from the skin. Moderate to heavily exuding wounds	Can be applied directly over the wound or as a secondary dressing. Do not use on arterial bleeds or heavily bleeding wounds Discontinue use if allergic to any components of the dressing.	Place white face down on wound surface with beige backing uppermost and at least a 2cm border overlap around the wound area. Do not cut dressings. Wear time dependant on exudates levels. Change if there is staining on the bandage or seepage from the dressing.
Flaminal Forte	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	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	Moderate to heavily exuding wounds. Apply to cavities.
Honey based Topical Application <b>MediHoney</b> 20g(5)	Debridement • helps control odours • provides a moist wound healing environment for all types of acute and chronic wounds (ie.pressure ulcers, graft sites, fungating tumours) • has antimicrobial properties suitable for use	DO NOT use if the patient has a known allergy to bee venom *Sealable tube can be used for up	Apply directly to wound bed or insert into cavity. Can make wound bed very moist and may lead to maceration if exudate not managed adequately.

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	on infected wounds or where bacterial resistance is suspected • can be used in cavities	to 4 months after opening	Can remain for <b>3</b> <b>days</b> dependant on exudate
Low adherent hydrophobic binding Cutimed Sorbact	made from fabric coated with dialkylcarbamoyl chloride, a hydrophobic substance designed to bind microorganisms in the presence of moisture. For use with chronic and acute wounds that are critically colonised where an antimicrobial dressing is indicated in moderately to highly exuding wounds	Do not use in combination with ointments and creams as the binding effect is impaired. Consideratio n should be given to the following: Requires a moist wound condition to be effective Ribbon should not be cut due to shedding	Place directly onto the wound surface. Swabs can be used folded or unfolded and applied to achieve maximum contact with the wound bed
365 Transparent Island Dressing	365 Transparent Island Dressings are primarily indicated to be used on acute wounds with low levels of exudate.		Choose the dressing size large enough to provide a margin that adheres to dry healthy skin around the wound site. Dressings may be left in place for up to seven days