

RENASYS-F/P Foam Specialist Dressing Techniques: Bridging Two Wounds

		
<p>1. Debride any necrotic tissue / eschar if necessary. Cleanse the wound bed and pat dry as per protocol.</p>	<p>2. Apply SKIN-PREP[®] or a thin hydrocolloid to the peri-wound skin if required. N.B. SKIN-PREP wipe is not included within the dressing kit.</p>	<p>3. Cut a strip of foam from around the edge of the foam block. Do <u>not</u> cut the foam directly over the wound bed.</p>
		
<p>4. The foam strip will be used to create the foam bridge between the two wound sites.</p>	<p>5. Cut the foam to fit the size and shape of the respective wounds. Do <u>not</u> cut the foam directly over the wound bed.</p>	<p>6. Place the pieces of foam into the respective wound cavities. Multiple pieces or layers of foam can be inserted into a cavity, if required, to ensure a perfect fit is achieved.</p>
		
<p>7. Cut a piece of transparent adhesive film to size that is large enough to protect the intact skin between the wounds. Remove the backing film and apply the film to the skin between the wounds</p>	<p>8. Place the cut strip of foam between the two wounds to create the foam bridge.</p>	<p>9. Seal in all pieces of foam with transparent adhesive film.</p>
		
<p>10. Cut a small circular hole in the centre of the film, over the foam bridge. Ensure any loose film dressing is removed. The opening of the Port will be aligned over the hole to deliver Negative Pressure.</p>	<p>11. Remove the backing from the Port dressing. Align the opening of the Port over the hole in the film. Use gentle pressure to anchor the Port to the film.</p>	<p>12. Smooth down the dressing whilst removing the frame.</p>
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<p>13. Connect the Port tubing to the canister tubing. Ensure the tubing clamps are open.</p>	<p>14. Switch on the device, set desired pressure setting and start therapy. The finished dressing should collapse, be firm to the touch and have a wrinkled appearance.</p>	

