

CVAD DRESSING FLOWCHART for SKIN REACTION

A step by step guide in the event of a patient developing skin reaction problems.

1. Assess type of skin reaction
2. Ensure Cavilon® no sting barrier skin protectant has been used
3. Monitor site closely
4. Accurately document change in the skin integrity

Skin Reacted

- 2 1. Discontinue **chlorhexidine** skin antiseptis
2. Use alcohol 70% only to clean the insertion site
3. Continue to **use the same dressing**
4. Consider an oral non-sedating antihistamine for pruritus

Still Reacting

- 3 Discontinue **alcohol** skin antiseptis. Change to povidine-iodine.
*Ensure a **skin patch test** has been done for sensitivity **BEFORE** using it*
Discontinue dressing and document brand name.
 1. Daily assessment and documentation of skin integrity
 2. Continue to use povidine-iodine if there is no sensitivity
 3. Implement dressing guide as shown in **box 4**

Reaction Continues

- 4 If skin **reaction** occurs within the week of dressing placement **change dressing** using the step by step guide in the order below:

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| 1. Bioclusive® | 10.2x12.7cm | oracle code:107172 |
| 2. Mepore Film | 10cmx12cm | oracle code:162243 |
| 3. Mepitel Film | 10cm x 12cm | oracle code:161349 |
| 4. Cutiplas® | 15cmx8cm | oracle code:113552 |
| 5. Sterile gauze dressing and secure with silicone tape* and co plus bandage* | | |
| 6. 3M Kind silicone tape* | 2.5cm x 5m | oracle code: 161800 |
| 7. Co plus bandage* | 7.5cmx3m | oracle code: 109765 |

Maintain the same skin preparation regime as indicated in **box 3**