Publication summary

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ALLEVYN^o GENTLE BORDER Multisite Foam Dressing helped to effectively manage complex chronic wounds in difficult-to-treat anatomical areas

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Key points



Particularly useful for complex wounds in awkward anatomical areas

Overview

- The primary objective was to evaluate the overall acceptability of ALLEVYN GENTLE BORDER Multisite Dressing in 10 patients with a variety of different wound types
 - Six male and four female patients (mean age 69.4 years)
 - Wounds were located in difficult-to-treat areas such as neck, breast, abdomen, foot, toes, leg and sacrum
- Clinicians were asked to evaluate 10 categories of dressing performance as 'poor', 'fair,' 'good', 'very good' or 'excellent' at each dressing change
- Key aspects of dressing performance evaluated included:
 - Effectiveness for awkward areas
 - Ease of application/removal
 - Patient comfort during wear/removal
 - Ability to handle exudate/stay in place

Results

- ALLEVYN GENTLE BORDER Multisite Dressing was rated by most clinicians as 'very good' or 'excellent' at first and last dressing change across the key performance criteria (127 of 140 responses)
- ALLEVYN GENTLE BORDER Multisite Dressing helped to effectively
 manage wounds in awkward anatomical areas, including:
 - Sacral pressure ulcers
 - Fungating wounds
 - Diabetic foot ulcers
 - Abdominal wounds
- Use of ALLEVYN GENTLE BORDER Multisite Dressing helped to mobilise one patient with an abdominal wound who was previously unable to find a dressing that allowed full mobilisation (Figure)

ALLEVYN GENTLE BORDER Multisite Dressing was fantastic as it enabled the patient to carry on living as normal at home



Figure. Feedback on use of ALLEVYN GENTLE BORDER Multisite Dressing for one patient with a chronic abdominal wound (4 months in duration)

Conclusions

Patient and nurse experience with ALLEVYN GENTLE BORDER Multisite Dressing was positive when used for patients with irregular or awkwardly situated complex chronic wounds.

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