

# PICO sNPWT hard-to-heal wounds pathway<sup>1</sup>

## Patient selection

Identify appropriate patients

### Suggested wound selection criteria

- Wound >6 weeks in duration – wound has reduced in area by <10% per week over previous 4 weeks
- Wound has not received NPWT within the last 6 weeks
- Wound is not clinically infected\*
- If VLU, ABPI confirmed as >0.8 and <1.3
- None of the PICO contraindications for negative pressure apply

### Weekly wound assessment

- Use simple length and width measures for area and % healing calculation
- Change in exudate levels
- Change in granulation tissue %
- Change in pain levels

**Week 0**  
Apply PICO

**Week 1**  
Apply PICO

**Week 2, 3, 4, 5 ... decision point**  
Wound assessment and apply PICO

### Non-responder. STOP PICO

Wound reduced in area by <5% at week 2 (compared to week 0 area), <7.5% at week 3 or <10% at week 4 with no significant improvement in granulation tissue quality / quantity<sup>†</sup>, static (0%) or increased in size (deteriorated)

ALLEVYN<sup>◇</sup> Wound Dressings and further investigation or onward referral to a specialist service

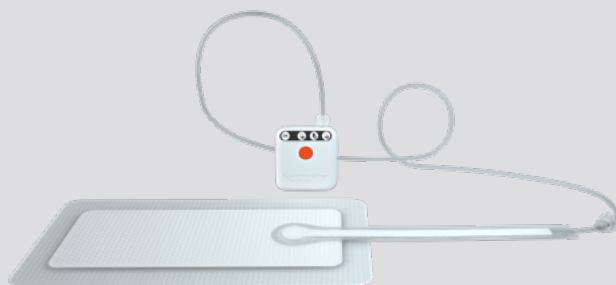
### Good responder. Stop PICO

Wound reduced in area by >40% (but can re-institute if wound healing rate stalls – at clinicians<sup>2</sup> judgement)

ALLEVYN Wound Dressings


**Use clinical and economical judgement to determine whether PICO treatment should be continued on a week-by-week basis**



Wound reduced in area between 10%-40%



<sup>\*</sup>Wounds with overt signs of clinical infection (e.g. increased pain, levels of exudate, cellulitis etc.) should be excluded from the evaluation. Colonised/critically colonised wounds are not excluded from the evaluation. Site standard protocol should be implemented to address bacterial burden; <sup>†</sup>Wounds that have healed by <10% but have shown significant improvement in granulation tissue quality/ quantity may be considered for further PICO treatment based on clinician judgement.  
**ABPI:** Ankle-brachial pressure index **VLU:** Venous leg ulcers

# Ordering information

Dressing	Sizes	PICO <sup>®</sup> 7 device		PICO 14 device	Multipack	PICO 7Y device
		+ 1 dressing	+ 2 dressings	+ 2 dressings	with 5 dressings	+ 2 dressings
		Code	Code	Code	Code	Code
	10cm x 20cm	66802012	66802002	66802042	66802022	–
	10cm x 30cm	66802013	66802003	66802043	66802023	–
	10cm x 40cm	66802014	66802004	66802044	66802024	–
	15cm x 15cm	–	66802005	66802045	66802025	–
	15cm x 20cm	–	66802006	66802046	66802026	–
	15cm x 30cm	–	66802007	66802047	66802027	–
	20cm x 20cm	–	66802008	66802048	66802028	–
	25cm x 25cm	–	66802009	66802049	66802029	–
	Multisite small 15cm x 20cm	–	66802000	66802040	66802020	–
	Multisite large 20cm x 25cm	–	66802001	66802041	66802021	66802031

Consumables			Code
	Foam dressing filler	10cm x 12.5cm x 1.5cm	66801021
	5 Antimicrobial Gauze Rolls	11.4cm x 3.7m	66802127

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