Your ALLEVYN^o LIFE dressing reminder

A guide to managing your care

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ALLEVYN[©] LIFE Foam Dressing

Helping you get **CLOSER TO ZERO°** human and economic consequence of wounds **smith-nephew.com/allevyn** I have chosen an ALLEVYN^o LIFE dressing because I believe it's the best dressing for your wound. As a more independent patient, I think you could benefit from going at least one more day without having to have your dressing changed.

- ALLEVYN LIFE has been designed with help from nurses and is used by healthcare professionals around the world with years of wound care experience.
- The dressings are longer lasting^{1*}, showerproof², and comfortable^{3,4}.
- You'll know when it needs changing with the easy to read change indicator on the top of the dressing.⁴
- Excess fluid is **reassuringly masked**³, and the dressing is cushioned for comfort.
- Helps to keep potential leaks and odour locked away for more peace of mind.^{3,5,6}

These features mean that the dressing can be left on for longer, aiming to give you at least **one more day** between dressing changes. This means more time to get on with the things you want to do in your daily life.

If you become concerned about your dressing in any way, contact me or another member of your medical team:



With ALLEVYN^o LIFE excess fluid from your wound is masked³, whilst also helping to keep potential leaks or odours locked away^{3,5,6}.

Here's a helpful diagram to show you when to get your dressing changed:



worry about changing your dressing at this point. The dressing can remain in place, with the exudate masked from view. There's still no need to change your dressing but consider arranging an appointment with your medical professional, as appointment times and availability may vary.

change your dressing.

Contact your medical

professional to arrange a

dressing change.

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*ALLEVYN° LIFE can be worn almost twice as long as standard dressings. n=37; dressing retention is 1.92x longer

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