

Wound Care Guidelines in Long-Term Care

<p>Store wound supplies in a closed area in or in a lockable wound cart like the medication cart</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stock minimal supplies. • Wound cart shall stay outside the resident room. • Cover care plan in a plastic cover when taking into the residents' room. • Bring only the required dressing supplies into the room. • Containers should not be used to hold supplies going into residents' rooms. • All extra or unused supplies are to be throw it on the garbage. Nothing from a resident's room can go back in the wound cart or supply room. • Dedicate wound cleansing solutions and wound care product.
<p>Wound dressing product from no touch technique/clean technique</p>	<p>See Prevention of Wound Infection –Saving Dressing Pieces, When to Use & How to Save</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Save in a sterile container or resealable bag. • Saved dressing(s) pieces are only kept for 2 weeks; after that time discard the container or bag and any remaining dressing pieces. • Label name and date with name label, date open and expiry date • Store all used supplies in the resident room in a covered box that is labeled with the resident name.
<p>Cleansing solution</p>	<p>Normal saline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discard dedicated Normal Saline after 24 hours, • Name, label and date normal saline bottles used for wound care. <p>For specialized solutions, follow manufacturers instructions. See Product information sheets</p>
<p>Treatment Wound Binder</p>	<p>Kept on the top Wound Dressing Cart Each resident with skin & wound should have a treatment sheet. Each resident to have an updated treatment sheet.</p>

Additional Resources

- [Guideline Assessment Treatment and prevention and treatment of wound infection](#)
- [CLWK – Connecting learners with knowledge](#)
- <http://www.surgeryencyclopedia.com/A-Ce/Aseptic-Technique.html#ixzz4yWkEnDvw>
- [Documents Library – Wound Resources – CLWK](#)
- clwk.ca/get-resource/prevention-of-wound-infection-saving-dressing-pieces-qrg/

