

## AMD Antimicrobial Gauze Dressings

0.5% Polyhexamethylene Biguanide Hydrochloride (PHMB)

Procure No. 53743548



### **DESCRIPTION**

AMD Antimicrobial Gauze Dressings are impregnated with 0.2% PHMB with broad-spectrum effectiveness providing protection against gram+, gram -, yeast and fungi including MRSA and VRE for up to 72 hours. They consist of pre-washed, fluff-dried, lint-free 100% woven Cotton gauze.

### **AVAILABLE TYPES**

- Kerlix AMD Rolls and Kerlix AMD Super sponges

### **INDICATIONS**

- Wounds with moderate to heavy drainage
- Trauma wounds
- Partial and full thickness wounds
- Packing cavity wounds
- Large wound areas including second and third degree burns
- Primary and secondary layer around arms and leg
- Rolls can be used to wrap head, limbs and difficult-to-dress wounds, such as burns, plastic and orthopedic wounds
- Rolls can be used in skin folds prone to yeast and fungal infections

### **CONTRA-INDICATIONS**

- Do not use on patients with a known sensitivity to PHMB

### **PRECAUTIONS:**

- Not to be used with Dakin's solution or bleach solutions as they deactivate the PHMB and cause yellowing of the product
- They are not intended as a primary treatment for infections: if clinical signs of infection are present, consult a physician

### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE:**

1. Irrigate the wound with appropriate cleansing solution or saline.
2. Remove excess fluid from the wound and dry the periwound.
3. Rolls or Super Sponges can be used either wet or dry. Evaluate each wound for exudate management and choose the appropriate protocol for moisture balance.
4. Fluff the dressing slightly and loosely layer into the wound.
5. Tuck the dressing into undermining or tunnelled areas with the wound.
6. Continue filling the wound until level with surrounding skin.
7. Cover with secondary dressing and secure in place.
8. If using Rolls for skin folds, cut a piece of dressing slightly longer than the fold and tuck into affected area, leaving a section of dressing exposed for easy removal.
9. Choose the appropriate size dressing, remembering to allow at least a 5 cm overlap of the wound bed onto the surrounding intact skin under the dressing.

### **FREQUENCY OF CHANGE**

- Dressing may stay on for up to 3 days
- Frequency of change will depend on the condition of the wound and the amount of exudate

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