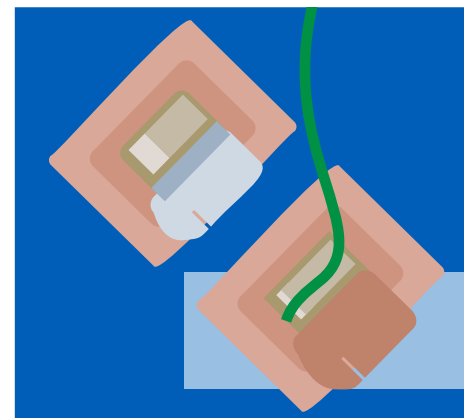


Management of nephrostomy dressing changes in the community and primary care

The Niko Drain-Fix is a catheter securement device from ConvaTec, which is designed for use with percutaneous catheters and tubes such as pigtail catheters, balloon catheters, suprapubic catheters, PEG feeding tubes and other percutaneous catheters and drains.

Patients requiring a nephrostomy dressing will normally have a Niko Drain-Fix applied following routine insertion of a (new) tube. In the interim period between routine removal and insertion the management of the nephrostomy site will use the Trachi-Dress F large and a Hydrofilm dressing as outlined below.



1. Removal of the Niko Drain-Fix dressing

- Remove the waterproof film dressing.
- Remove any tape that may have been used to secure the tube to the patient's side.
- Remove the tube from the plastic support component of the Niki Drain-Fix dressing and carefully remove the dressing.

2. Check the puncture site

3. Clean nephrostomy site with chloraprep 2% before applying new dressing

4. Apply replacement dressing: Trachi-Dress F

- Apply a Trachi-Dress F Large over the puncture site. Cover with a Hydrofilm clear film dressing, (15cm x 20cm at least).
- Check for any leakage.



Drug tariff: Trachi-Dress F Large 80mm x 100mm TR DRF 0002



£1.51 per dressing.



Wear time is 7 days.

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