

Procedure: bag application for active stoma

- Perform Hand Hygiene (HH)
- Clean IV trolley/work surface with detergent and water or detergent/alcohol wipe and prepare waste option e.g. bag or designated space.
- Perform HH
- Identify and collect all equipment for procedure. See equipment list.
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- Open procedure tray/pack without contaminating the aseptic field or sterile items.
- Peel open any sterile equipment and drop onto aseptic field
- Measure and pre-cut wafer or duoderm to fit stoma with clean scissors. Fit must be snug but not tight. Must avoid skin exposure. Templates will need to be adjusted frequently as stoma "settles".
- Perform HH
- Prepare patient – use gloves where appropriate – e.g. remove dressings
- Remove gloves if worn, perform HH and reapply gloves

- Perform procedure ensuring all key parts are protected
- Using the saline and gauze, gently apply counter-pressure to remove the old wafer and bag. Do not use paraffin as this will adversely affect adhesion of new wafer.
- Allow skin to dry.
- Affix new wafer or duoderm around stoma and hold in place for 30-60 seconds to activate the adhesive.
- Affix Hollister clear bag at a sideways angle.
- Open bag at the bottom to allow some air into the bag to prevent a vacuum that will encourage stoma output to bleed under the wafer, before closing it again.
- Waste is disposed into the designated bag
- Remove gloves and perform HH
- Clean trolley, dispose of waste and perform HH

Document procedure on EMR as relevant

Equipment:

Dressing pack
Warmed saline
Stoma template
Wafer/duoderm cut to size
Hollister clear bag.

If the wafer and bag are secure with no evidence of leakage, the bag can be opened from the bottom and using a syringe with white tipped aspirator, remove contents and document output in Fluid Balance every 4 hours.

