



## **ALGINATE**

CASE STUDY PROTOCOL



## Introduction

## Case Studies

Thank you for agreeing to complete a case study using the Oakmed range of Alginate pouches.

Alginates are naturally occurring substances derived from brown seaweed. They are used extensively in wound care and are proven to initiate skin healing and absorb moisture.

### The purpose of this case study is to

- Highlight the benefits of these skin healing properties when used on sore, moist, excoriated peri-stomal skin.
- Show that this can be a cost effective way to manage sore skin by reducing the need for accessories and bag changes.





### Criteria

- 1. Any patient with a colostomy or ileostomy presenting with non-healing peri-stomal / problematic skin
- 2. Patients must be able to give informed written consent
- 3. Please disclose any medications or treatment regimes which may affect skin healing i.e. diabetes, steroid treatment, radiotherapy and chemotherapy

### **Evaluation**

Objectives to be reported on will include the following but may be added to at any time.

- 1. Nature of peri-stomal skin at commencement of study
- 2. Evidence of healing of peri-stomal skin
- 3. Reduction of surface area of sore skin
- 4. Reduction of pain and discomfort at pouch changes
- 5. Evidence of absorption of moisture
- 6. Reduction of the need for accessories
- 7. Reduction of bag usage

Throughout the period of evaluation, photographs to demonstrate healing progression or otherwise will be taken: at the time of recruitment, after one week, and then on completion of the study with appropriate consent having been obtained beforehand.



### Evaluation time frame

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After two weeks the completed study is to be collected or sent electronically to the Oakmed representative.

### Post evaluation documentation

A written evaluation report will be compiled by the specialist nurse completing the case study, this will include the evaluation objectives set out. The report will be shared with representatives of Oakmed Limited

Oakmed reserve the right to forward the case study for publication and to use it for product promotion and advertising if clinical and cost effective outcomes are achieved.

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Please follow the headings where possible to complete your case study.

## 1. Patient history



## 2. Observations on referral (with photographic evidence)



3. Complications or problems being experienced

4. Community / Hospital visits



## 5. Treatment



## 6. Improvements (with photographic evidence)



7. Outcome

8. Following the product evaluation, will the patient be continuing with the product?

# 9. Conclusion (with photographic evidence)



# Oakmed Alginate Case Study Consent Form

I consent to being included in this case study
I am also willing to allow the publication of
the study along with any photographs.

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