3M™ Tegaderm™ I.V. Advanced Securement Dressing 1685

Proper Application & Removal for PICC Catheters
**APPLICATION**

1. Prepare the site according to your facility’s protocol. Allow all preps and skin protectants to dry completely. Open package and remove sterile dressing.

2. Remove liner to expose adhesive. Place dressing adhesive side up on sterile field or inside of dressing package.

3. Position notch edge of dressing over catheter hub, placing stabilization border over catheter “wings.” Do not stretch dressing over skin surface.

4. Apply dressing to skin applying firm, gentle pressure to window film. Pinch film firmly around catheter tubing connection. Gently lift tubing connection and press border firmly under catheter lumens.

5. Slowly peel frame away from border edge while simultaneously applying firm pressure to border edge. Smooth entire dressing into skin to ensure optimal adhesion.

6. Remove securement tape strip with notch from liner. Two small adhesive free tabs from liner will remain on tape strip liner. Partially fold securement tape strip in half at notch.

7. Apply tape strip’s pre-cut notch completely underneath catheter’s molded junction. The notch opening should face the insertion site. Peel paper tabs from liner corners. Smooth entire dressing surface; working from catheter insertion site out toward dressing edge.

8. Prepare and apply documentation label over the top of the exposed molded junction. Press first half of strip against the junction; then adhere the other side.

9. Apply firm pressure to entire dressing to ensure optimal adhesion.

**REMOVAL**

1. Remove all securement tape strips from dressing.

2. Gently grasp soft cloth edges below keyhole notch.

3. Lift dressing on each side from skin using low and slow technique. Peel dressing toward catheter insertion site until removed.

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