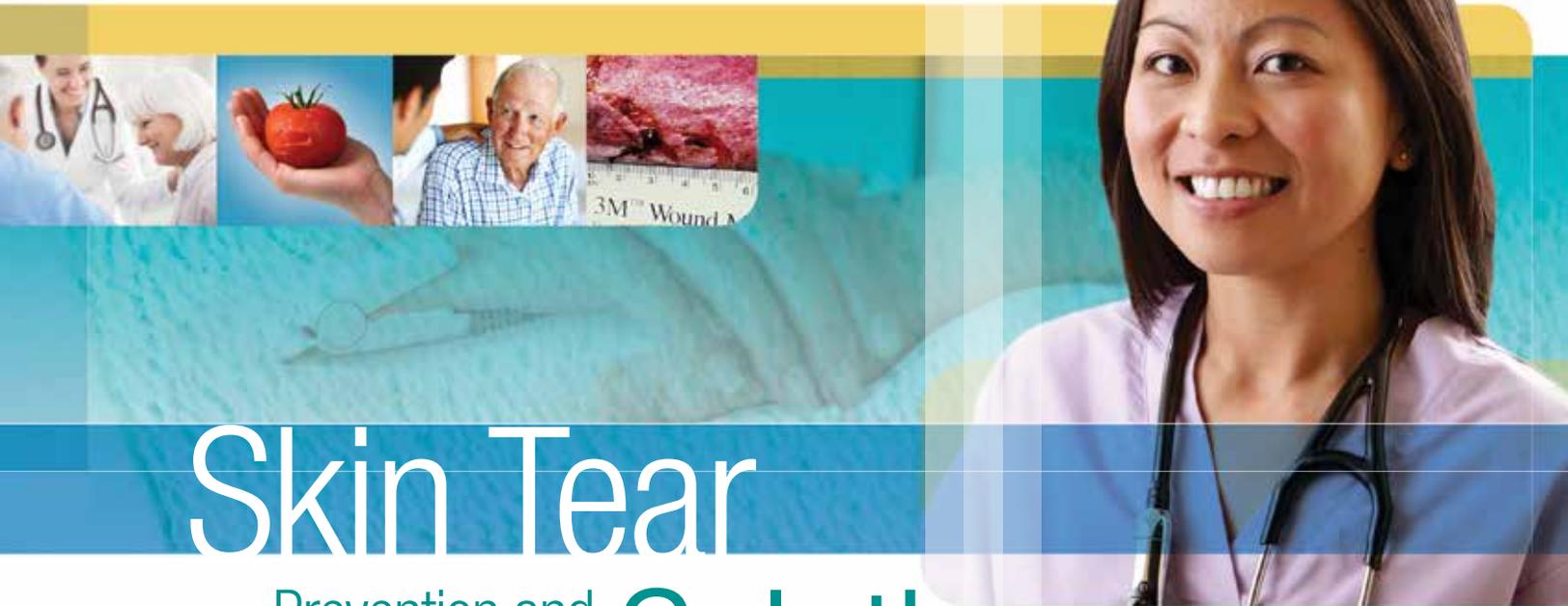


3M Critical & Chronic Care Solutions Division
Skin Tear Prevention and Treatment Solution



Skin Tear

Prevention and Treatment

Solution

3M is committed to helping caregivers prevent and treat skin tears efficiently and cost effectively. Our tools and services work together to create a better overall experience for long-term care residents, caregivers and administrative leaders. The 3M Skin Tear Solution is part of the **3M Pathways to Wound Healing** clinical program.



Addressing the ongoing challenge of skin tears

Each year, at least 1.5 million skin tears occur in the United States,¹ with health care professionals reporting prevalence rates of 14% to 24%.²

Skin tears can be challenging to prevent, assess and treat. Misdiagnosis and mistreatment can lead to pain, infection and delayed wound healing.³ Skin tears may also cause anxiety for patients and families and can reflect poorly on the quality of care.³

For facilities, frequent dressing changes increase caregiver time and supply costs.

3M Skin Tear Solution is designed to help caregivers reduce the incidence of skin tears, and to treat wounds more gently and effectively when they occur.

Long-wear skin-tear products from 3M

These simple, skin-friendly solutions help improve patient comfort and are easy for caregivers to use on skin tears.

3M™ Tegaderm™ Absorbent Clear Acrylic Dressing

This unique transparent dressing with fluid-handling capacity enables clinicians to monitor skin tears and other moderately exuding wounds without changing the dressing. It minimizes patient pain and trauma, decreases caregiver time and reduces supply costs.

- Transparency, plus absorbency, allows wound monitoring without changing the dressing⁴
- Can be worn until dressing leaks or loses adhesion (or according to facility protocol)
- Fewer dressing changes minimize heat loss and disruption of the wound bed that can slow healing⁵
- Protects against bacteria, viruses and outside contaminants⁶
- Use 3M™ Cavilon™ No Sting Barrier Film to protect periwound skin from moisture

3M™ Cavilon™ No Sting Barrier Film

This fast-drying liquid barrier film is clinically proven to protect periwound skin from maceration and adhesive trauma.



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The 3M Skin Tear Solution provides exceptional clinical value

3M responds to customer needs in a variety of ways, including: product in-servicing, professional education, protocol and formulary development, a solutions-based website, toll-free help line and customer service. Here are a few examples of customer clinical education and tools supporting the 3M Skin Tear Solution.



Education Module: *Prevention and Treatment of Skin Tears* — Designed for professional staff (1 contact hour)



Education Module: *You Can Prevent Skin Tears* — Basic prevention strategies designed for the CNAs

Clinical Tools



Ordering Information—Recommended for Skin Tears

3M™ Tegaderm™ Absorbent Clear Acrylic Dressing

Catalog No.*	Dressing Pad Size	Overall Dressing Size	Dressings/ Box	Boxes/Case
90800 (Oval)	1½ in. x 2¼ in. 3,8 cm x 5,7 cm	3 in. x 3¾ in. 7,6 cm x 9,5 cm	5	6
90801 (Oval)	2¾ in. x 3 in. 6 cm x 7,6 cm	4¾ in. x 5 in. 11,1 cm x 12,7 cm	5	6

*Other sizes available.

3M™ Cavilon™ No Sting Barrier Film

Catalog No.	Size	Items/ Box	Boxes/Case
3343*	1.0-mL wand	25	4
3344	1.0-mL wipe	25	4
3346	28-mL spray	12	1

*3.0-mL wand also available.

Complementary Skin Tear Products

- 3M™ Tegaderm™ Alginate Dressings
- 3M™ Tegaderm™ Alginate Ag Silver Dressings
- 3M™ Tegaderm™ Non-Adhesive Foam Dressings
- 3M™ Coban™ Self-Adherent Wraps

3M is partnering with the WOCN® Society to recognize health care facilities that have implemented a program to maintain skin integrity.

The 3M Award for Excellence in Skin Safety recognizes an individual or team for creating and sustaining a successful skin damage prevention program. Members of the winning program's team will be awarded a complimentary trip to the WOCN Society's annual conference.

Learn more at 3M.com/cavilon



To learn more about the 3M Skin Tear Solution, contact your local 3M Critical & Chronic Care Solutions sales representative or call the Health Care Customer Helpline at 1-800-228-3957 or visit our website at 3M.com/C3SD.



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