

FECAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM – GUIDELINES

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

- Suspected or confirmed fecal impaction
- Rectal or lower large bowel surgery within the last year
- Inadequate anal tone to retain device
- Suspected or confirmed anal/rectal mucosal impairment or injury
- Rectal or anal tumour, stricture, or stenosis
- Severe hemorrhoids
- Age less than 18 years
- Neutrophils less than $1 \times 10^9/L$
- Patient is *C. difficile* positive **and** at risk for perforation or toxic megacolon

CAUTION:

- Patients on anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapy, or with high risk of bleeding
- For general patients requiring FMS to contain infectious stool or protect from skin breakdown use FECAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (FMS) ORDERS FOR ICU AND BTHA (#729) PRE-PRINTED ORDER

Additional Resources:

- CPD F-035 Flexi-Seal in the ICU
- Elsevier – Fecal containment devices