

Prevention, Assessment and Treatment of Hypergranulation Tissue in Adults & Children

Site Applicability

All VCH and PHC Sites

Practice Level

Profession	Basic Skill
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nurse Practitioner (NP) Nurse Specialized in Wound, Ostomy and Continence (NSWOC) Wound Clinician 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determines basic care strategies for the prevention and assessment/treatment of hypergranulation tissue Orders application of silver nitrate to hypergranulation tissue
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registered Nurse (RN) Registered Psychiatric Nurse (RPN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determines basic care strategies for the prevention and assessment/treatment of hypergranulation tissue Follow client specific order to apply silver nitrate to hypergranulation tissue as per Product Information Sheet
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow an RN/RPN-established wound treatment plan for the assessment/treatment of hypergranulation tissue

Requirements

A Physician, NP, NSWOC or Wound Clinician order is required for the application of silver nitrate to hypergranulation tissue.

Need to Know

- The Provincial Nursing Skin and Wound Committee (PNSWC) developed this Decision Support Tool (DST) to provide a provincial standard for all patients/clients/residents who require prevention, assessment and treatment of hypergranulation tissue on wounds, tubes/drains, stomas, nonstomatized enterocutaneous fistula or nails.
- The DST guides nurses to determine appropriate care strategies for the prevention and treatment of hypergranulation tissue for clients (adult and children) across all care settings.
- Once an order is received, nurses must follow the Product Information Sheet for the application of [Silver Nitrate](#).

PHC: This DST does not cover the prevention and management of hypergranulation tissue that occurs with Ventricular Access Devices please refer to PHC:

[Ventricular Assist Device \(VAD\): Dressing Change \(CSICU\)](#)

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[Ventricular Assist Device \(VAD\): Dressing Change \(Ward\)](#)

Guideline

[Hypergranulation Tissue: Guideline](#)

[Hypergranulation Tissue - Prevention & Basic Treatment Interventions Quick Reference Guide](#)

Documentation

As per VCH and PHC documentation guidelines.

Related Documents

[Silver Nitrate Product Information Sheet](#)

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