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Patient Information

PICO◊
Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System

Call your nurse or doctor immediately if:

You notice a change in the color or amount of fluid in the dressing.

For example:

- If it changes from clear to cloudy or bright red
- You see the dressing fill rapidly with blood
- Your wound looks more red than usual or has a foul smell
- The skin around your wound looks reddened or irritated
- The dressing feels or appears loose
- You experience pain
- The alarm display will not stop flashing

What does PICO System do?

PICO is indicated for patients who would benefit from a suction device (Negative Pressure Wound Therapy) as it may promote wound healing via removal of low to moderate levels of wound fluid and infection materials.

WARNING: Certain patients are at high risk of bleeding complications which, if uncontrolled, could potentially be fatal. Patients must be closely monitored for bleeding.

How does PICO work?

The pump applies compression to the area, increasing blood flow, and providing the surgical site or wound with a controlled environment that may promote wound healing.

How often will the dressings have to be changed?

The dressings have a wear time of up to 7 days, depending on wound fluid. The frequency of dressing changes will be determined by your clinician.

Will the dressing changes hurt?

In some cases, slight discomfort during dressing changes may be experienced; specifically, during wound cleansing, which may vary based on type and location. If you feel any discomfort, please notify the person who is changing your dressing. PICO dressings should only be applied, changed or removed by a healthcare professional.

When you are asleep

Make sure that the PICO pump is placed in a safe location and cannot be pulled off a table or cabinet onto the floor during sleep.

Showering and washing

Light showering is permissible; however, the PICO pump should be disconnected and placed in a safe location where it will not get wet. The dressing should not be exposed to a direct spray or submerged in water. While disconnected, ensure the end of the tubing attached to the dressing is facing downward so that water does not enter the tube.

Disconnecting the pump from the dressing

- Press the orange button to pause therapy
- Unscrew the two part connector
- Place the pump somewhere safe

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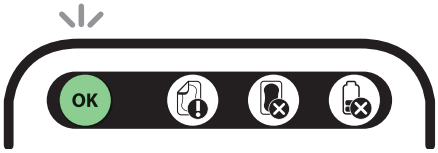
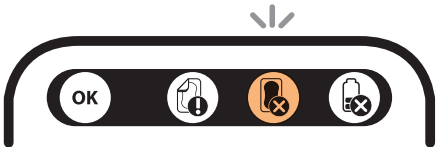
Light guide

Green 'OK' light flashes
Continuously flashing green: pump working properly, pressure preset.



Green 'OK' light and orange 'battery low' light flashes Orange light will flash if batteries are low.

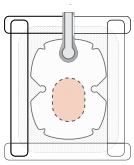
Orange 'dressing full' indicator begins flashing,
Contact your healthcare professional for assessment of the dressing. Your healthcare professional will determine if a dressing change is required and if therapy should continue.



A. Does your dressing look full?

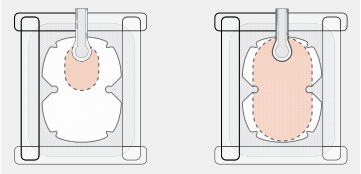
Patients and caregivers should not attempt to change or apply dressings. Dressings should only be changed by a healthcare professional.

If a dressing looks similar to this, it is acceptable.



Dressing is acceptable to be left in place.

If a dressing looks similar to either of these you must contact a healthcare professional right away.



Soft Port may be blocked with fluid.

Dressing is full.

If dressing is not full or the Soft Port is not blocked then no action is required. If dressing looks full or the Soft Port is blocked, contact your healthcare professional right away.

Patients should consult with a healthcare professional regarding their specific medical conditions and treatments. The information listed herein is for informational purposes only and is not intended as medical advice. For full product and safety information, please see instructions for use.

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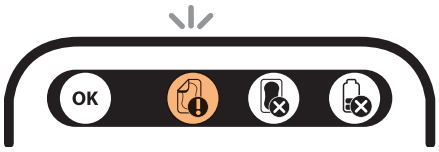
Troubleshooting an air leak

If you experience an air leak please follow the below steps. If a leak is present the dressing will continue to act as a barrier to protect your wound or incision.

If you are unable to resolve the leak, please call our 24/7 Clinical Hotline 1-800-876-1261

Indicator will flash orange color if leak is present;
see Troubleshooting below.



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Double check the tubing connections are sealed tight. Unscrew and reconnect the tubing at the base of the pump as well near the white tubing on the dressing.

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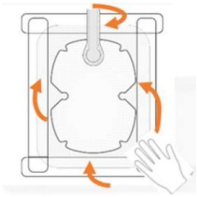
Rub your finger around the silicone edges of the dressing on all four sides. If you see any creases rub them flat. Repeat the process rubbing the edge of the white foam of the dressing.



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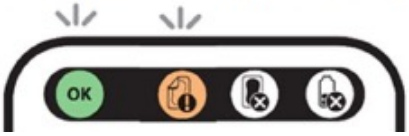
Press the orange button to restart therapy. You will hear a slight buzzing sound and the pump will vibrate and the green 'OK' and orange 'air leak' light will flash as pressure is re-established. This can take up to 65 seconds. You can also rub your fingers around the four sides of the dressing.



More ways to learn about the PICO System

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