

Wound Care Program

Integrated Skin and Wound Care in the Central East Area

Ontario Health atHome advocates and leads an integrated, evidence-informed Wound Care program that spans the continuum of care and drives improvement in the outcomes for people with skin and wound care issues in the Central East area. In collaboration with our community service provider agencies, primary care facilities and hospitals, we deliver a coordinated and consistent strategy of skin and wound care, informed by best practice. In addition, the Wound Care program facilitates stakeholder relationships and collaborative working networks to improve transition of care and patient access and experience.

Wound Care Pathways

- Pressure Injury (PI)
- Acute Wound (AW)
- Surgical Wound (SW)
- Vascular Ulcer (VU)
- Complex Multiple Wound (CW)
- Maintenance Wound (MW)
- Maintenance Wound Exception (MWE)
- Diabetic Foot Ulcer (DFU)
 - Total Contact Casting (TCC) for patients accessing clinic; or
 - Aircast Walking System (AWS) for homebound patients
 - Darco Shoe/PegAssist for patients accessing clinic or homebound patients

Wound Care Inter-Professional Team (IPT) Referral Criteria

Patient is experiencing:

- Complex wound(s), non-healing and impacting quality of life ;
- Daily/q2day dressing changes required greater than 2 weeks ;
- Wounds that are not healing at least 10% per week greater than 4 weeks ; or
- Wounds where the drainage, and/or risk of infection, and/or pain has increased (to be referred as per assessment)



Swift Skin and Wound Digital App

The Swift Skin and Wound Digital App is a mobile application used by the nurse or patient to take a picture of the wound, share it with the appropriate clinicians, conduct virtual consultations and allow providers to gain

visibility into patient healing trends, risks and needs. Members of the Wound Care IPT will be able to remotely view medical-grade wound images with the new medical imaging Artificial Intelligence (AI), which will also help document, assess and treat those wounds.

The Swift Skin and Wound Digital App uses AI to accurately measure the wound circumference, type and progress once an image is captured. Some of the many features include a history icon to track wound healing over time and streamlined, real-time documentation uploads.

Automated wound assessment PDFs upload into the patient electronic record, eliminating double documentation and ensuring care plans can be accessed by the patient's care team when needed.

Contact Information

Wound Resource Hotline: 1-800-263-3877 ext. 5080

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