



INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE



Tissue Stabilizing Wound Dressing Cover

DermaHug is a **single-patient, reusable** tissue stabilizing device intended for use on the patient with an incisional or chronic wound. When applied, the stabilizing device covers the wound dressing and holds the margins of the wound in compression.

Each DermaHug can be worn continuously for several weeks. Because it is hydrophobic, it can be worn in the bath or shower. It can be adjusted, removed and reapplied. If soiled or if the tackiness has diminished, remove the DermaHug, wash it in the sink with mild soap and water, rinse with water. Shake off the water from the silicone, pat or air dry the fabric, then reapply. The tackiness will be restored. (Do NOT attempt to dry the silicone side with a towel or cloth as residue may compromise the tack.)

To preserve between uses, save the blue liner and plastic bag. When device is not in use, reapply the blue liner to the silicone side and store in the plastic bag.

Applying DermaHug:

1. Once the sterile dressing has been applied, turn the DermaHug fabric side down and pull off the blue liner to expose the silicone.
2. Silicone side down, center the DermaHug, over the wound dressing then place one side of the device on the patient's skin, and smooth down.
3. While holding down the first panel, slightly pull the device over and affix the other panel to the patient's skin.
4. Smooth the entire area down, especially the edges, eliminating any wrinkles or creases in the material.

Adjusting DermaHug:

1. Holding down the one side of the device, gently peel back the opposite side toward the edge.
2. Reposition the DermaHug and apply to the opposite side.

Removing DermaHug:

1. Holding down one side of the device, gently peel back the opposite side and remove.
2. Store with blue liner reapplied and place in peel pack for reuse.

Warnings and Precautions:

- Skin conditions should be assessed for integrity before affixing this device to the dermis.
- Before applying or reapplying to the skin, the skin should be clean, dry, free of all gels, dry skin flakes, liquids, grease, powder, creams, etc.
- Do not place over the patient's airways.
- Not to be used intra-wound.
- When removing or repositioning, peel off slowly while supporting the skin.
- Discard and dispose of properly after final use.