



## ENZYMATIC DEBRIDING AGENTS INSTRUCTIONS

Enzymatic debriding agents are ordered to chemically debride or help remove dead tissue from the wound. They do not harm healthy tissue.

Change your dressing \_\_\_\_\_ time(s) per day and as needed if it becomes wet or soiled.

### HOW TO CHANGE YOUR DRESSING:

1. Wash your hands with warm water and soap.
2. Remove the old dressing and throw it away.
3. Clean your wound with water or saline and pat dry. Do not use hydrogen peroxide as it may inactivate the enzymatic agent.
4. Apply a thin coat of the ointment directly to the wound bed. You may put a small amount of the enzyme on a cotton swab or tongue depressor stick.
5. Dress the rest of the wound with \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Cover with dry gauze and secure with gauze roll and/or tape.
7. Wash your hands again.

### WHAT YOU SHOULD REPORT TO YOUR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL:

- Skin around the wound is red, swollen, or feels hot
- Pus or foul smelling drainage
- Temperature above 101° F and/or chills
- Increased pain or tenderness
- Any other problems of concern to you