

Wound Packing Orders

When wounds are infected, they must be opened ("lanced") and have the infected fluid drained out. This will allow the wound to eventually heal. After the wound has been drained, it will be left open.

Instructions:

1. Every day: Remove the packing from the wound. This is sometimes easiest to do in the shower. After getting the packing material wet, it may come out easier.
2. Shower and allow warm, soapy water to run through the wound. This will help clear away some of the infected fluid and dead tissue.
3. After the shower, pat the area around the wound dry and re-pack with gauze or Aquacel Ag lightly.
4. Apply a clean dry gauze dressing.
5. Repeat daily or 2-3 times a day