



## Medicare Allowable Coverage Quick Reference

Dressing	Stage	Frequency
Calcium Alginate	III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Collagen	II, III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Composite	II, III, IV, Unstg.	3 x Week
Compression Bandage	II, III, IV, Unstg.	Weekly
Foam (Adh or Non-Adh)	III, IV, Unstg.	3 x Week
Gauze (non-impregnated)	II, III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Gauze (impregnated)	II, III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Bordered Gauze	II, III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Rolled or Conforming Gauze	II, III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Hydrocolloid	II, III, IV, Unstg.	3 X Week
Hydrogel Wound Cover	III, IV, Unstg.	Daily (3 x Week if using adhesive border)
Hydrogel Wound Filler	III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Specialty Absorptive	III, IV, Unstg.	Daily (3 x Week if using adhesive border)
Tape	II, III, IV, Unstg.	Daily
Transparent Film	II, III, IV, Unstg.	3 x Week

Debridement Types:
<b>Autolytic</b> - (selective) body's natural breakdown of necrotic tissue when an occlusive or semi-occlusive is in place (i.e. hydrocolloid, hydrogel, or transparent film)
<b>Enzymatic</b> - (selective) the use of chemical enzymes to breakdown necrotic tissue (i.e. Santyl Collagenase)
<b>Sharp</b> - (selective) the use of medical devices (i.e. scissors, forceps, laser) to remove necrotic tissue <b>This is performed by a Physician, PA, NP, PT</b>
<b>Mechanical</b> - (non-selective) the use of wet-to-dry gauze to manually remove necrotic tissue