



Medicare Part “B” Dressing Supply Distribution Reference

Upon determining that a Resident has a “qualified wound” and is covered by Medicare Part “B” the following information should be obtained and sent to Grove Medical, Inc.

1. Completed Medicare Part B Dressing Order Form
2. Physician Orders
3. Medical Record “Face Sheet”

*Fax this information to Grove Medical, Inc. at 864-272-1569

Medicare criteria for a “qualified wound” is as follows:

1. The wound must be the result of some type of **Surgical Intervention. OR**
2. The wound must be a **Stage II, III, or IV** Ulcer and have undergone **Debridement** of any type (i.e. Autolytic, Enzymatic, Bio Surgical, Mechanical, Sharp), at any time, during the history of the current Ulcer.
3. Only the necessary Primary and/or Secondary Dressings indicated per *Physicians Order* qualify for the Medicare Part “B” reimbursement. The Primary Dressing must be considered to be “therapeutic” or “protective” coverings and should be applied directly to the wound(s). This does not include Normal Saline and/or plain gauze. The Secondary Dressing must also be considered “therapeutic” or “protective” and serve to cover and secure the Primary Dressing.
4. “Incidental Supplies” such as Wound Cleansers, Gloves, and Gauze necessary to clean the wound, are NOT COVERED under Medicare Part “B”.
5. Frequency for payment is as follows:

a. Calcium Alginate	Daily Allowable Dressing Change
b. Impregnated Gauze	Daily Allowable Dressing Change
c. Hydrogel	Daily Allowable Dressing Change
d. Hydrophillic Anti-Microbial	Daily Allowable Dressing Change
*Note- Only one 3 oz. tube of Hydrogel or Hydrophillic Anti-Microbial material per month, per wound is allowable.	
e. Transparent Film	3 X/Week Allowable Dressing Change
f. Foam	3 X/Week Allowable Dressing Change
g. Hydrocolloid	3 X/Week Allowable Dressing Change

