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Dermabond Care

Dermabond Topical Skin Adhesive is a sterile, liquid skin adhesive that holds wound edges together. The film will usually remain in place for 5 to 10 days, then naturally fall off your skin. The following will answer some of your questions and provide instructions for proper care for your wound while it is healing:

Check wound appearance

 Some swelling, redness, and pain are common with all wounds and normally will go away as the wound heals. If swelling, redness, or pain increases, or if the wound feels warm to the touch, contact a doctor. Also contact a doctor if the wound edges reopen or separate.

Replace Bandages

- If your wound is bandaged, keep the bandage dry.
- Replace the dressing daily until the adhesive film has fallen off or if the bandage should become wet, unless otherwise instructed by your physician.
- When changing the dressing, do not place tape directly over the dermabond adhesive film, because removing the tape later may also remove the film.

Avoid Topical Medications

 Do not apply liquid or ointment medications or any other product to your wound while the dermabond adhesive film is in place. These may loosen the film before your wound is healed.

Keep Wound Dry and Protected

- You may occasionally and briefly wet your wound in the shower or bath. Do not soak or scrub the wound, do not swim, and avoid periods of heavy perspiration until the dermabond adhesive has naturally fallen off. After showering or bathing, gently blot your wound dry with a soft towel. If a protective dressing is being used, apply a fresh, dry bandage, being sure to keep the tape off the dermabond adhesive film.
- Apply a clean, dry bandage over the wound if necessary to protect it.
- Protect your wound from injury until the skin has had sufficient time to heal.
- Do not scratch, rub, or pick at the dermabond adhesive film. This may loosen the film before your wound is healed.
- Protect the wound from prolonged exposure to sunlight or tanning lamps while the film is in place.

If you have any questions or concerns about this product, please contact our office.