

Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT) Ordering, Collecting and Returning Pathway (Secondary Care)

The application and management of Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT) must be undertaken by a Healthcare Professional who has completed the Skin Integrity NPWT module and competencies within the last 3 years.

Ordering

STEP 1. Product selection

Please refer to the Skin Integrity NPWT Selection Guide to ensure NPWT is suitable for the patient and the wound.

STEP 2. Ward stock

Ward/department to ensure they have appropriate consumables.

STEP 3. How to order equipment

Ward/department to order a Renasys pump and charger from the Medical Technical Services (MTS) via the online system.

- Open desktop and click on **Google Icon** named **Electronic forms**.
- This will open a list, click on **Medical Technical Services (MTS)**.
- When the request is submitted please document the reference code in the SIT Wound Assessment and Care Plan.



Collection

Within MTS department working hours (Monday-Thursday 08.30-16.30. Friday 08.30-15.45).

- **DRI** - Ward /department to collect pump and charger from MTS.
- **MMH/BH** - MTS department to send pump and charger via the hospital shuttle service and inform ward/department of the estimate time of arrival.

Out of MTS - department working hours week days 16.30-08.30. Saturday and Sunday).

- **DRI** - Ward/department to collect pump and charger from MTS department. The key to enter the department is available from switchboard. Collector to input request code and NPWT pump barcode onto computer within the MTS department.
- **MMH/BH** - Ward/department to contact Site Manager who would then arrange a taxi to transfer the equipment.

The receiving Ward/Department are accountable to maintaining the NPWT system (case, pump and two-part charger).

Any damage or loss will be cross charged to the Ward/Department.

Lost device

Lost RENASYS TOUCH
pumps will be charged at
£6,305 (excl. VAT)

Lost RENASYS TOUCH
two-part power cord will
be charged at **£30**

Returning

STEP 1. Patient assessment

NPWT is no longer required and a revised treatment plan has been commenced. The registered Healthcare Professional is required to undertake and document a wound assessment on the Skin Integrity Wound Assessment and Care Plan Primary Closure Care Sheet.

Patients should not be discharged into the care of the District Nurse/Care home/ Residential Home or Other Hospital with NPWT in place as this is property of Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals Trust. Please contact The Skin Integrity Team when discharge planning commenced so a temporary plan can be put in place for discharge until the community or other hospital can initiate their own NPWT system.

STEP 2. Decontamination of equipment

The NPWT two part charger and case are to be cleaned in line with the Trusts decontamination guidance using the broad spectrum biocide that is available i.e. Peracide or Difficile S.

STEP 3. How to return equipment

Ward to return the Renasys system (case, pump and two-part charger) to the MTS department via the online system.

- Open Desktop and click on **Google Icon** Named **Electronic forms**.
- This will open a list, click on **Medical Technical Services**.
- When the request is submitted print a copy of the declaration of contamination status form and attach to the NPWT case.
- Return the NPWT system to the MTS department within a timely manner to avoid delays in pumps been reissued.

MTS Technician to send an alert to SIT mailbox dbth.skinintegrityteam@nhs.net to inform SIT of equipment issued and/or in use.