ALLEVYN Ag Gentle Border

- 1. Cleanse the wound in accordance with local clinical protocol.
- 2. Select an appropriate dressing size. ALLEVYN Ag Gentle Border can be cut, to dress wounds on the heels, elbows and other awkward areas. Always use a clean technique when cutting the dressing.
- 3. Prepare and clean the skin surrounding the wound area and remove excess moisture. Any excess hair should be clipped to ensure close approximation to the wound.
- 4. Using a clean technique remove one of the protector films from ALLEVYN Ag Gentle Border and anchor the adhesive side of the dressing to the skin.
- 5. Remove the remaining protector film and smooth the dressing over the remainder of the wound without stretching, ensuring there are no creases. The pad area of the dressing must be adhered across the entire surface of the wound. ALLEVYN Ag Gentle Border can be lifted and repositioned without losing its adherent properties.
- 6. If the dressing has been cut ensure any exposed foam areas are covered with an appropriate film dressing taking care not to cover the entire dressing.

Frequency of Change

During the early stages of wound management ALLEVYN Ag Gentle Border should be inspected according to local clinical protocol. Where the product is used on infected wounds the infection should be inspected and treated as per local clinical protocol.

Dressings can be left in place, undisturbed, for up to 7 days, depending on the condition of the wound and the surrounding skin or until exudate is visible and approaches to within 0.5cm of the edge of the dressing pad, whichever is sooner.

If dressings are applied to the sacral area, they may be left in place for up to 5 days, however, due to the increased potential for contamination and infection in this area, increased monitoring of dressing adherence may be required as per local clinical protocols.

The decision of when to change should be dependent upon clinical assessment and local protocols should also be taken into consideration.

Dressing Removal

To remove ALLEVYN Ag Gentle Border, lift one edge of the dressing and slowly peel back until completely removed from the wound. Sacral dressings should be removed from the top