



Huntleigh virtual lunch meeting



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INNOVATION IN WOUND CARE: A REAL GAME CHANGER. AN INTRODUCTION TO WOUND EXPRESS

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Question	Answers – by Anita Roberts Huntleigh Clinical Advisor
Is it worn for two continuous hours or two separate one hour sessions?	The optimum would be a two hour session, but we have had many people who have used it for two separate one hour sessions.
Is this the same as the product used after surgery?	No, it is a different mode of action to prevention of deep vein thrombosis (DVT).
Is it used at home or in clinic? Is it applied by a nurse or patient?	It is used at home and has a very easy to apply, simple on/off button and wrap around garment.
What will be the process of ordering the compressive bandage in NHS hospital?	Contact your TVN, GP or leg ulcer clinic in the first instance. A business case would need to be made to the CCG.
Would you have to involve your hospital TVN and possible lymphedema team?	Yes you would, or the GP may want to refer to the vascular team.
It is so good to see new innovation in this challenging area!	Yes, there have been very encouraging results.
Is Wound Express applicable for arterial leg ulcers? What are its contraindications?	It is contraindicated in DVT, cellulitis, coronary heart disease (CHD) and chronic kidney disease (CKD).
What is the accessibility of Wound Express in a care home? What is the route to follow to use it for residents with this condition?	You would need to involve the TVN in your area or the patient's GP.
Wouldn't the TVN still need to be involved?	Yes. Contact your TVN, GP or leg ulcer clinic in the first instance.
Has compliance improved with patients being an active member of their care regimen as opposed to a patient simply receiving treatment?	Yes, very much so.

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Is it right that more obese females develop venous ulcers than obese men? Is there any physiotherapy for clients with venous ulcers?	No answer given.
What did you ask them to diarise? Just when used or other factors/feedback too?	They diarised the times when the unit was used and any comments, e.g., ease of use and reduction in pain.
Are there any patients leaflets for venous ulcers care?	Please refer to the website: https://woundexpress.com/static/wound-express
Why is it only suggested to use for 2 hours daily? Is it not recommended or of benefit to use for longer each day to heal quicker?	The two hours is the time we know flow improved and it was thought that two hours would be a realistic time for people to sit with the unit on. There would be no harm in leaving it on longer.
Does the cuff come in various sizes, i.e. large enough for patients who are morbidly obese?	Currently the cuff comes in one size which has a circumference of 73cms.
Can it be used longer than 2 hours? And if not why only 2 hours a day?	The two hours is the time we know flow improved and it was thought that two hours would be a realistic time for people to sit with the unit on. There would be no harm in leaving it on longer.
Are these for rental or purchase only?	The unit is available to rent, and the single use patient garment is available to purchase.
Is the Wound Express very expensive?	Please see details on the website of costings and savings https://woundexpress.com/static/wound-express-clinician-health-economics
How long can it be used for?	It is recommended for two hours a day.
Why is only applied for 2 hours?	The two hours is the time we know flow improved and it was thought that two hours would be a realistic time for people to sit with the unit on. There would be no harm in leaving it on longer.
Possibly efficacy plateaus for anything over this duration?	Please refer to the Morris et al paper: https://woundexpress.com/Content/PDFs%202020/WoundExpress%20White%20Paper%20785362-1.pdf
I was just wondering how they decided on 2 hours?	The two hours is the time we know flow improved and it was thought that two hours would be a realistic time for people to sit with the unit on. There would be no harm in leaving it on longer.
Can you explain how it works?	Please see details and animation of the website: https://woundexpress.com/static/wound-express

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After 2 hours is there another dressing applied?	After treatment the usual management regimen will continue. The garment is around the thigh, so it does not interfere with any dressings or compression therapy.
Are we going to be using this at NLAG Ali?	Please ask Alison to answer this
Would the cuff be purchased or leased? What is the cost?	The unit is available to rent, and the single use patient garment is available to purchase. Please refer to the website for details of health economics: https://woundexpress.com/static/wound-express-clinician-health-economics
Where can we see an example of this being used? To see how it's applied by the patient.	Please refer to the website and view our patient stories: https://woundexpress.com/static/wound-express
Is it helpful for in healing wound after cardiac surgery please?	Please contact your local specialists to pursue this further .
What about trauma wounds and degloving injuries	Please ask Alison to answer this
How are people managing to get new treatment and such like during Covid? I should imagine it would be difficult?	Refer to your tissue viability service.
Is it possible to show an example of these machines?	Please refer to our website or contact a local sales team member: https://woundexpress.com/home
Does it come in different sizes?	Currently the cuff comes in one size which has a circumference of 73cms.
Can we see the machine in action	Please refer to our website or contact a local sales team member: https://woundexpress.com/home
Does this come with different cuff sizes?	Currently the cuff comes in one size which has a circumference of 73cms .
Does the patient need to buy their own device?	The unit is available to rent, and the single use patient garment is available to purchase.
This may be suitable for younger patients with non-healing ulcers who are able to apply themselves at home after instruction.	Case studies show it is extremely easy to use for all patients.
I believe for all at home it is easy to apply the garment.	Case studies show it is extremely easy to use for all patients.
Would this be something that a nursing home can buy or rent for the residents?	Yes of course. The unit is available to rent, and the single use patient garment is available to purchase.

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Can we take a picture of a non-healing leg ulcers for management during Covid 19 and send it to our wound healing team for advice?	I am sure that could be organised with your local TVN.
How much is the machine?	Please refer to the website for details of health economics: https://woundexpress.com/static/wound-express-clinician-health-economics or contact a local sales team member
WoundExpress can be a risk to be used at home if the patient doesn't understand the procedure? Are there some side effects?	There are no known side effects and it is very easy to use.
Is it used on both legs or just one leg?	No answer given