3M™ Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Dressing Frame Style

Application Instructions for 1624W and 1626W and other Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Frame Style Dressings



Prep the catheter site according to your facility's protocol. Let all prep solutions dry completely. Remove the liner from the dressing, exposing the adhesive surface of the dressing. **NOTE:** For dressings with the center window, remove and discard the center window before removing the liner.



Center the transparent portion of the dressing over the insertion site. Press the transparent portion of the dressing into place. Do not stretch the dressing during application.



While slowly peeling off the paper frame, smooth down the dressing edges with your fingertips.



Next, smooth down the dressing from the center toward the edges, using firm pressure.



Stabilize extensions and label dressing according to your facility's protocol.

Additional Application:



3M[™] Tegaderm[™] IV Transparent Film Dressing Frame Style 1624W shown on PIV.

Securing IV using U Taping Technique

After transparent adhesive dressing has been placed over the IV site, take approximately ½ inch by 4 inch medical tape and place under the hub or suture wing of the catheter, adhesive side up. Fold each end down, form a broad "U" shape. Try to keep approximately ¼ inch of adhesive visible on each side of the catheter. Place second tape strip adhesive side down across the bottom of the "U". This will provide additional securement and stabilization of the catheter.



U taping technique on 3M™ Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Dressing Frame Style 1626W.



U taping technique on 3M™ Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Dressing with Border 1614.

Securing IV using H Taping Technique

To help stabilize winged catheters, a sterile tape strip may be applied over each side of the wing and the dressing applied.



H taping technique on 3M™ Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Dressing with Border 1614.

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Removal Instructions for 1624W and 1626W and other Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Frame Style Dressings

OR



Remove any tape strips applied to the top of the dressing. If removing the dressing, remove tape strips toward the insertion site. To leave the dressing intact, remove tape strips away from the insertion site.



To aid in lifting a dressing edge, use the documentation label or secure a piece of medical tape to one corner and rub firmly.



Support the skin and catheter with your fingers while removing the dressing.

Step 4 Use one of the following techniques:

Low and slow: using the label or tape tab, slowly peel the dressing from the skin. Fold the dressing back over itself rather than pulling it up from the skin. Remove the dressing from the hub toward the insertion site.



Stretch release: grasp one edge of the dressing and gently pull it straight out to stretch and release adhesion.

NOTE: A medical adhesive solvent can also be used to facilitate dressing removal.