

Wood County Health Department

Project Firstline Draining Wound Education Packet

- A draining wound is a break in the skin or other tissue that has liquid coming out of it. This liquid moves and spreads easily, so draining wounds are treated differently from other types of wounds that can be covered or contained.
- A draining wound is a warm, wet place where germs grow easily. A draining wound is also a vulnerable spot on the patient that should be handled carefully, both to keep germs from spreading and to protect the patient from germs.
- Draining wounds can be caused by, or contain:
 - germs that can spread easily by touch, like MRSA and group A strep;
 - germs commonly found in stool that are often also found on skin, like Klebsiella and VRE; and
 - germs that spread by blood and bodily fluids, like HIV, hepatitis B, and hepatitis C.

Resources Available:

Interactive & multi-media resources

English & Spanish language resources



CDC Interactive and Multimedia Resources

PPE: Gloves and Gowns Training
bit.ly/3J9Zajo

Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection Training
bit.ly/3KBBTVF

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Print Materials

Germs Live on the Skin
bit.ly/3OEGTty

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