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What pasta can teach us about optimal wound healing

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You probably know that a moist environment is ideal for optimal wound healing, but you may not know what that looks like, or more importantly, feels like. That's where pasta – yes, pasta – comes in. In this Rethinking Skin + Wound Care video, Dr. Heather Hettrick uses pasta prepared three ways (dry, overcooked and al dente) to illustrate different wound healing environments.

Be sure to check out all our Rethinking Skin + Wound Care videos, where Dr. Hettrick uses practical items and accessible examples from everyday life to help clinicians better understand the science and art of wound care.

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WOUND CARE CORNER

Highlighting advances in compression therapy.

Venous Leg Ulcers (VLUs) are one of the most common types of chronic wounds. As a wound care clinician, you can help patients living with VLUs reduce their risk of recurrence through evidence-based compression best practices. In this article, 3M's Dr. Pat Parks discusses the evolution of VLU care with Today's Wound Clinic.

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Why use a skin barrier?

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Securing critical tubes in newborns.

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Help guard against HAIs.

Did you know that patients with a surgical site infection after discharge are 5X more likely to be readmitted to the hospital?* Despite efforts to reduce incidents, healthcare-acquired infections (HAIs) continue to be a serious problem. Find out how 3M's 3-Step 3-Solution Post-Operative Care System can help you

protect your patients from HAIs.

**Kirkland KB, Briggs JP, Trivett SL, et al. The impact of surgical-site infections in the 1990s: attributable mortality, excess length of hospitalization, and extra costs. Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol. 1999;20:725-730.*

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Never underestimate your power to transform the patient experience.

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



The ABCs of VLU management.

In this four-part video series, Dr. John M. Macdonald shares an overview of Venous Leg Ulcers (VLUs), assessment and diagnosis tips, best practices, and a summary of compression therapy.

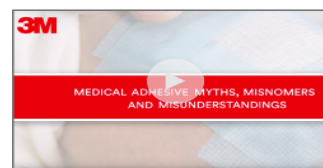
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Conversations about skin.

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Medical adhesive myths revealed.

Though medical tapes are widely used across the care spectrum, many misconceptions exist. Watch this three-part video series to learn more about medical adhesives, tape selection, and proper application and removal.

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