

Post-Operative Rigid Dressing Assembly Instructions



- Apply (1) Sock over post-op dressing extending to top of thigh. Leave 2nd sock for future patient use.
- 2. Lay opened Thigh Body Section of device under affected leg extending from proximal 1/3rd of thigh to distal end of amputated residuum. Tabs can face toward medial or lateral side. Cut to length with scissor so that the end of the residuum extends
- beyond the cut end of the device by $\frac{1}{2}$ "-1". All sections applied blue side out.
- 3. Wrap the Body around affected leg such that the Velcro edge and tabs lay directly down the sagittal midline of the limb. Allow 2-3" of overlap of the edge without Velcro. Trim remainder smoothly. Close snugly to secure around the limb, again confirming the closure is centered on sagittal midline.

- 4. Place the Side Panel to extend along the exact lateral aspect of the body section adhering the Velcro to the body. This should be placed ½" from top of the body section and extend to distal cut edge, along the coronal midline. Trim the distal edge of the side panels at the end of the body section. Confirm that the residuum still extends ½"-1" beyond the end of the device.
- Align the Hip Section to correspond with the side of affected limb. Connect the Waist Extender piece to the posterior Hip Section Velcro connecting the two sections. Close the Waist/Hip section snugly around the waist anteriorly.
- 6. Laterally, pull tension downward on the inferior edge of the Hip Section Velcro tab and firmly affix along the lateral thigh section applied in step 3. This will aid in suspension and ensuring good total contact against distal residual limb in following steps. Release waist strap closure anteriorly.
- 7. Choose the best fitting Distal Cup size. These can be re-shaped by hand or with gentle heat to aid in conforming to the residuum. Maintain other cups for future patient use as the limb size may change. The cup slides <u>inside</u> the body section of the device and is placed snugly against the residuum, creating a total contact environment. Secure the bottom most body tab snugly.
- 8. Gently stretch the Distal Cross piece over the Distal Cup affixing each of the four tabs to the device securing the Distal Cup in place. The optimal orientation of the distal cross tabs is directly anterior, medial, lateral, and posterior. The distal cross will Velcro in place against the Distal Cup. Lastly, close the Waist Section tightly, anteriorly. There should be snug pressure and no void.



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