# Going home with the SYLKE<sup>®</sup> Wound Closure

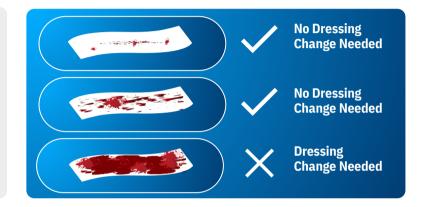


#### What is the SYLKE® Wound Closure?

SYLKE® Adhesive Wound Closure is a novel cutting edge solution in topical wound closure technology. Made from medical grade silk fibroin and a gentle adhesive, SYLKE® is designed to approximate wound edges and offload tension for up to 2-weeks after surgery. SYLKE® also serves as a barrier against outside contaminants and debris.

## **Does SYLKE® Need to be Changed?**

The SYLKE® Wound Closure is designed to prevent excess fluid from leaving your wound. This means that SYLKE® can remain on for **14 days without needing to be changed.** In the event of excess bleeding or discharge from the wound, please contact your healthcare professional. A small amount of dried blood on the dressing is normal and will not require a dressing change.



#### **Can SYLKE® Get Wet in the Shower?**

**YES!** The SYLKE® Wound Closure is shower-friendly, but not waterproof. This means that you may shower as instructed by your healthcare provider, but **do not take a bath** or go into a pool or hot tub while wearing this dressing. Doing so may cause the dressing to lose adhesiveness and result in early detachment.

#### How Should I Remove SYLKE®?

Your healthcare provider will determine when SYLKE® should be removed. If you are instructed to remove the device at home:

- Gently lift the edge of the SYLKE® Adhesive Wound Closure at one end of the wound.
- Slowly peel SYLKE<sup>®</sup> away from the skin along the line of the wound. Use other hand to stabilize the wound to decrease tension as SYLKE<sup>®</sup> is peeled off.
- If SYLKE® does not easily remove from the skin, apply adhesive remover, or soak with warm soapy water before removal.
- Once fully removed, discard the used wound closure. Do not reuse or resterilize the device.
- Any residual adhesive and/or dried wound exudate can be gently cleaned from the skin with warm soapy water.

#### **Contact Your Health Professional If:**

- · Rash or redness is spreading around the wound site
- You experience unusual pain or swelling around the wound site
- The dressing will not stay in place
- Fluid that is yellow or green in color or foul smelling is coming from the wound site
- You experience a fever above 101°F or 38°C

## Scan QR Code for Full Instructions for Use

For instructions, contraindications, warnings and precautions, refer to the SYLKE® instructions for use: www.sylke.com/instructions-for-use

# **Questions?** Concerns?

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