

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- The case study should relate to use of 3M™ SNAP™ Therapy System within the approved indications for the device.
- All information must be collected retrospectively.
- The case study should contain the following sections: introduction, method, results, discussion, conclusion and references (if applicable).
- Case studies should be submitted in English.
- The word count (including title, tables and references) should not exceed 3500 words.
- Each submission should describe one patient.
- Each clinician or group can submit up to 3 case studies.
- Informed patient consent should be either obtained or waived. Patient anonymity should be maintained.
- Declarations of interest should be included.
- The case study submitted to this competition should be unpublished and not have been submitted elsewhere. This includes case studies that have previously been presented at conferences or appeared in other 'non-journal' venues (for example: blogs or posters).
- Authors are encouraged to include supporting images, animations and videos within their case study submissions.
- 3M will have the right to use the case studies for continued education and promotion.

CASE STUDY WRITING GUIDE

Include physician(s) names, institution, city and country.

INTRODUCTION

Patient: Include patient information (age, weight, sex, etc.), admission date, and prior medical history. Please do not include patient-identifying information.

Wound: Include location, length and depth of wound (if applicable), wound bed composition

Rationale: Why you chose to use SNAP Therapy System

METHODS

Initial treatment of SNAP Therapy System: Include timeframe of planned therapy, describe the dressings used, and methods used to apply SNAP Therapy System. Include what SNAP Therapy System settings were used.

RESULTS

Progress: Include the total duration on therapy days and how the wound progressed when SNAP Therapy System was in use. Was reapplication of therapy or dressing required? Describe if applicable.

Photographs: If available, please submit high resolution digital photos before and after therapy. For example, (1) at baseline, (2) with SNAP Therapy System applied, (3) at end of therapy, and (4) at follow-up. PLEASE DO NOT PROVIDE ANY PATIENT IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON THE PHOTOS SUBMITTED.

Discharge and Follow-Up: Insert discharge data and any known follow-up information. Also note if patient was discharged from the acute setting to a post-acute setting while on therapy.

DISCUSSION

Economic Value (if applicable): Attach any economical data demonstrating significant economic value in using SNAP Therapy System in this particular case. Any benchmarking to support opinions or anecdotal statements should be based on data that is supported by documentation. Also, anecdotal information regarding decreased length of stay, quicker transition to lower cost care setting, shorter disability, or prevention of alternative course of treatment (amputation, etc.). If providing medical or expert opinions to support economic value, please clearly indicate. Such opinions are not encouraged and cannot be accepted without documented support.

CONCLUSION

Conclusion: Provide a summary, supported by medical documentation, as to the clinical outcomes/observed results using therapy. You can provide medical expert opinion as the treating physician on the outcomes observed, but it must be in addition to the supported medical documentation and it must be clearly indicated as medical judgment or opinion.

References (if applicable)