

Hmmmm... 10 questions on wounds. You should be asking yourself what material might be contained in those 10 questions. Remember, you are the nurse. What items specific to wound care are essential to you recognizing potential and knowing how to treat actual problems in pts with wounds. You need to review your syllabus, your reading assignments, notes, and I-drive info. Try to organize all this info and decide for yourself what the 10 questions might look like. Then after answering & discussing my questions, make up your own to query each other.

You are changing the dressing on a pt with a Stage III decubitus ulcer. You make the following observations: 1) there is granulation tissue forming at the outer perimeter of the wound, and 2) despite current IV antibiotic therapy, a new foul smelling, green exudate is forming near the center of the wound.

You are pleased to see the granulation tissue forming at the outer edges of the wound because:

- a. This means that wet-to-dry dressings should be started immediately over that area
- b. The formation of granulation tissue means the wound will never get infected.
- c. The formation of granulation tissue means that particular area has a fibrin and a capillary network laid down to facilitate healing
- d. Chemical debridement is the next step in wound healing

Which of the following might be your next thought re: the new foul-smelling exudates forming in the middle of the wound.

- a. The causative organism is resistant to the current antibiotic being infused.
- b. The new drainage is a result of the new granulation tissue.
- c. The antibiotic dose needs to be doubled.
- d. All antibiotics need to be discontinued.