**CCTH - Wound Management Pathway**

Patient systemically well and observations within normal limits for age for>12 hours.

Monitor pain score

Pain being managed with analgesia.

If wound packed – first packing to be changed in hospital.

Refer to CCTH- Discharge from hospital with CCTH leaflet, documentation, dressings (for at least 48 hours), medications/prescription and any necessary equipment.

CCTH to carry out wound assessment, treatment as per patient, re-dress as required.

Observe for signs of infection - Liaise with relevant medical teams as required I.e.,GP/ Tissue viability team.

CCTH may refer to specialist services as appropriate.

Signs of infection:

Wound Site - Redness, swelling, exudate, Pain, No clinical improvement.

Monitor for systemic symptoms – tachycardia, fever, Feeling unwell any concerns.

Consider wound swab

Discuss with relevant medical team/ GP regarding need for antibiotics/medical assessment (Vocera 01633 493699).

Discharge from Care Closer to Home when treatment complete.

Remove from virtual ward and database. Document on CWS as e-note.

**NB: Children under 11years have open access to the acute area whilst under the care of the CCTH team.**