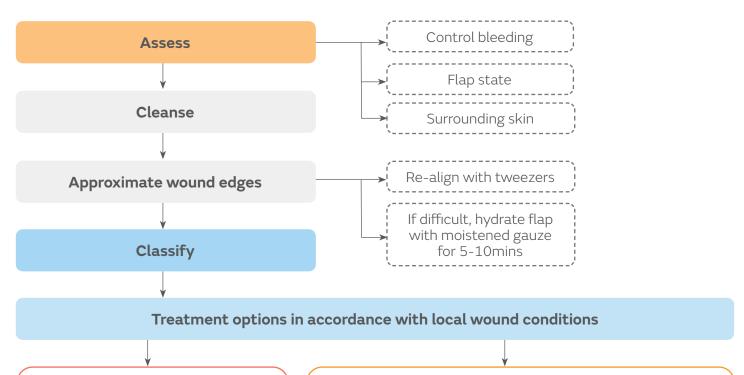
Skin tear pathway¹





Type 1: No skinloss



CUTICELL™ Contact

Silicone wound contact layer with a perforated transparent structure.

Can stay up to 14 days if no clinical indications to remove it.



Type 2: Partial flap loss



Type 3: Total flap loss



ALLEVYN° Gentle Border Foam Dressing

In direction of skin flap, draw an arrow on top of the dressing to aid removal.

Put the date when dressing was applied. Can be left in place for up to 7 days*²⁻⁴





*excluding sacral variants

- A wound care plan must be completed
- Remember that underlying conditions could affect wound healing
- If no improvement after 14 days, refer to TV

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