

DRAIN CARE INSTRUCTION SHEET: for Romovac drains after breast surgery.

The Romovac Drain works as a Negative Pressure Closed Suction system. It consists of the drain tubing that is connected to 1 or 2 drains, a clamp and the collection chamber. To empty the drain, wash hands and wear clean gloves and follow the steps below.

Fig 1

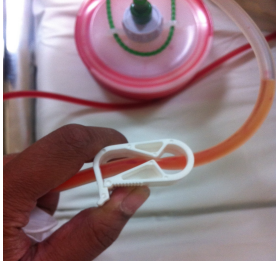


Fig 2



Fig 3



Step 1: Clamp the tubing to prevent spilling of the fluid in the tubing (Fig1)

Step 2: Unscrew the connector of the tubing from collection chamber by rotating in an anticlockwise manner. (Fig 2)

Step 3: Empty the contents of the drain in a measuring flask. An empty IV fluid bottle with the top cut off is also suitable for the purpose.(Fig 3)

Step 4: Record the output along with the date and time of measurement. (Table)

Step 5: To charge the drain, the canister needs to be compressed. It is held in compression with one hand, while the other hand screws on the tubing connector, by rotation in a clockwise manner. (Fig 4, 5)

DATE	TIME	OUTPUT (cc)

Step 6: Open the clamp. (Fig 6)

Step 7: Ensure that the canister is in the compressed position and there are no kinks or clots in the system. (Fig 7)

(Table)

Step 8: Place the collection chamber in a dependent position by the patients bedside

Fig 4



Fig 5

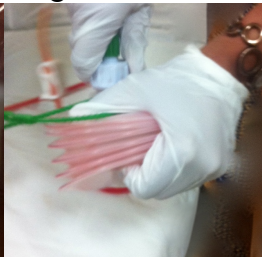


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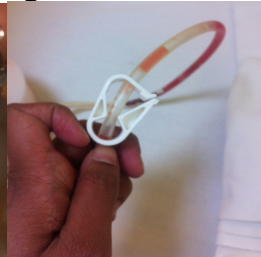
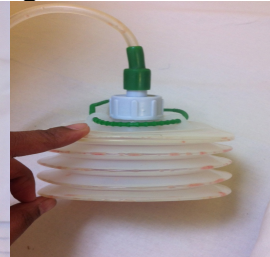


Fig 7



You can print this sheet and use to record your drain output. Watch this tutorial on youtube https://youtu.be/_efNDvZSO-s (search ‘Drain Care by Dr Pranjali Gadgil’)