TITLE: Management of Cesarean Section Incisions in Overweight Patients: Clinical Evidence and Guidelines

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RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1. What is the clinical evidence regarding the use of different dressings for the management of cesarean section incisions in obese patients?

2. What are the evidence-based guidelines regarding the management of cesarean section incisions in obese patients?

KEY MESSAGE

No relevant literature was identified regarding the use of different dressings for the management of cesarean section incisions in obese patients.

METHODS

A limited literature search was conducted on key resources including PubMed, The Cochrane Library (2012, Issue 11), University of York Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD) databases, CINAHL, Canadian and major international health technology agencies, as well as a focused Internet search. Methodological filters were applied to limit retrieval to health technology assessments, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, randomized controlled trials, non-randomized studies (focused search), and guidelines. Where possible, retrieval was limited to the human population. The search was also limited to English language documents published between January 1, 2007 and December 12, 2012. Internet links were provided, where available.

RESULTS

Rapid Response reports are organized so that the higher quality evidence is presented first. Therefore, health technology assessment reports, systematic reviews, and meta-analyses are
presented first. These are followed by randomized controlled trials, non-randomized studies, and evidence-based guidelines.

No relevant health technology assessments, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, randomized controlled trials, non-randomized studies, or evidence-based guidelines were identified regarding the management of caesarean section incisions in obese patients. Additional references of potential interest are provided in the appendix.

OVERALL SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

No relevant literature was found regarding the management of caesarean section incisions in obese patients; therefore, no summary can be provided.
REFERENCES SUMMARIZED

Health Technology Assessments
No literature identified.

Systematic Reviews and Meta-analyses
No literature identified.

Randomized Controlled Trials
No literature identified.

Non-Randomized Studies
No literature identified.

Guidelines and Recommendations
No literature identified.

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APPENDIX – FURTHER INFORMATION:

Evidence-based Guidelines – population unclear


Review Articles


Additional References

