

# Horizontal Tube Attachment Device (HTAD)

- The Hollister horizontal drain/tube attachment device, a sterile flexible support secured to a synthetic skin barrier with adhesive backing, is designed to stabilise and secure a variety of catheters, surgical drains and tubes
- The horizontal drain/tube attachment device provides protection for the patient's skin in three ways:
  - It eliminates the need for suturing certain tubes to the skin
  - It protects the skin surrounding the tube site
  - It minimises tube movement which can lead to discomfort and enlargement of the tube entry site
- Fits 5 to 40 French

Microporous Tape Border

FlexWear Skin Barrier

Adjustable Clamp

Serrated Strap

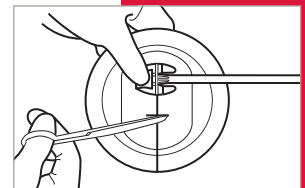
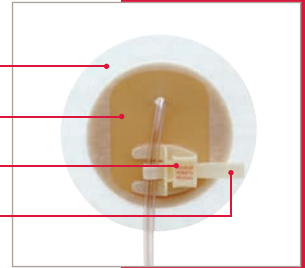


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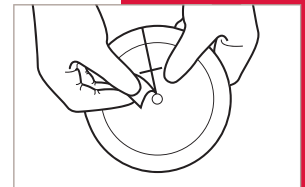


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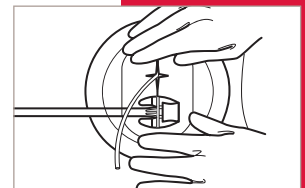


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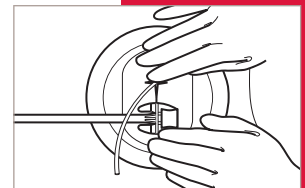


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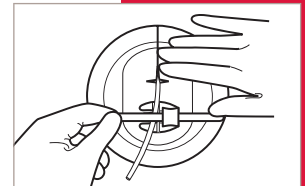


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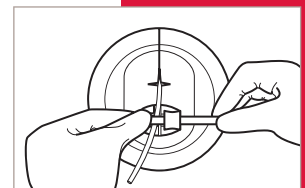


Figure 6

**Warning:** To help ensure proper adhesion and to help reduce the potential for infection, do not reuse.

**Caution:** The Hollister horizontal tube attachment device was designed as an alternative to tape. It does not eliminate any of the risks associated with the use of catheters, surgical drains, and tubes. For proper use of catheters, surgical drains, and tubes, be sure to consult the percutaneous tube product instructions and follow current standard clinical procedure for the placement, monitoring, and removal of percutaneous tubes.

**Caution:** Do not pull the strap too tightly as the pressure may cause occlusion in the drain/tube when using the horizontal drain/tube attachment device.

## Application

Clean and dry the skin where the product will be applied. Do not use any lotions or emollients as the residue will interfere with the adhesion of the barrier.

### Step 1 - Cut cross slit (Figure 1)

Using sterile technique (where applicable), cut a cross slit in the barrier perpendicular to the starter slit. The larger the diameter of the drain/tube, the farther away from the drain/tube holder the cross slit should be made. If needed, trim the barrier for a closer fit around the tube.

### Step 2 - Remove release liner (Figure 2)

Peel the release liner from the skin barrier on the underside of the attachment device. DO NOT REMOVE THE RELEASE PAPER FROM THE TAPE BORDER.

### Step 3 - Feed the drain/tube (Figure 3)

Feed the drain/tube through the starter slit to cross the slit. Position the device so that the drain/tube holder is below the tube exit site.

### Step 4 - Place the barrier on the patient (Figure 4)

Press the barrier to the skin firmly, but gently, and smooth it to remove all wrinkles to ensure complete adhesion. Remove the release paper from the tape border and press tape to skin.

### Step 5 - Strap the drain/tube (Figure 5)

Place the drain/tube on the top of the serrated strap, making sure the drain/tube is not kinked. Bring the strap over the tube and push it into the strap insertion hole in the drain/tube holder.

### Step 6 - Secure the drain/tube (Figure 6)

Pull the strap while pushing it from the other side until it fits snugly around the drain/tube. Be careful not to dislodge the attachment device during this step. The strap should squeeze the drain/tube slightly for maximum security.

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### Removal

#### Step 1 - Release the drain/tube (Figure 7)

Release the drain/tube from the tube holder by pushing the serrated strap backwards while squeezing the sides of the latch. Pull the strap all the way back through the sides of the latch.

#### Step 2 - Remove the attachment device (Figure 8)

Pull the strap all the way back through the latch. Starting at the cross slit opening, gently peel the barrier and tape from around the drain/tube and from the patient's skin. Hold the tube with one hand and remove the attachment device.

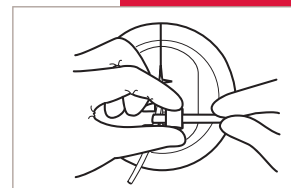


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Figure 8

**Prior to using the Horizontal Tube Attachment Device (HTAD), be sure to read the entire product Instructions for Use that accompany the product.**

To view an instructional video for this product, please visit  
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