



Prescribing Policy for Supply of Topical Haemoglobin (Granulox®) Spray

North East Essex CCG does not support the prescribing of topical haemoglobin on FP10

Granulox® is a topical haemoglobin spray indicated for the treatment of slow-healing wounds such as foot and leg ulcers, pressure sores and post-surgical wounds.

The evidence for its use is limited as there are only pilot studies of small numbers of patients. Patients with non-healing chronic wounds such as diabetic foot ulcers, venous leg ulcers, arterial ulcers and pressure ulcers must be referred to the tissue viability nurse (TVN) for appropriate treatment advice.

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