**PURPOSE**

1. To promote wound healing

# **GENERAL INFECTION CONTROL GUIDELINES**

1. Observe (standard) universal precautions
2. Wash your hands before and after all procedures
3. Wear gloves when appropriate

**EQUIPMENT**

1. Wound Vac
2. Sponge/ Gauze
3. Dressings

**PROCEDURE**

1. Wash hands
2. Provide privacy
3. Remove old dressing
4. Cleanse wound bed per order
5. Evaluate any healing or lack of healing
6. Dress wound according to order
7. Make sure settings on wound vac are correct per orders.
8. Dispose of old dressing appropriately: BIO Hazard if dressing is saturated with drainage, in trash bag if not saturated.
9. Wash hands
10. Document findings