

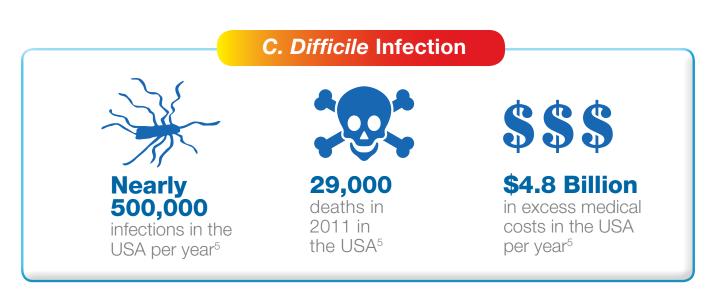


# **Costly and Growing Problems for Hospitals**

The Flexi-Seal™ SIGNAL™ FMS – a closed-end system designed to minimize the spread of infection by containing liquid/semi-liquid stool – has been shown to reduce complications and costs in the hospital setting.<sup>3</sup>

# The Prevalence of C. difficile Infection (CDI)

- C. difficile infection results in about 3 million cases of diarrhea and colitis in the United States each year.<sup>4</sup>
- In the USA, 1 in 5 patients with a healthcare-associated *C. difficile* Infection experiences a recurrence of the infection.<sup>5</sup>
- National rate of C. difficile Infection hospitalization doubled between 2001-2010 in the USA.<sup>6</sup>



#### **Fecal Incontinence and Pressure Ulcer Risk**

- Hospitalized adults with fecal incontinence are 22 times more likely to have pressure ulcers than patients without fecal incontinence.<sup>3</sup>
- The sacrum is the highest risk area for skin breakdown.<sup>7</sup>

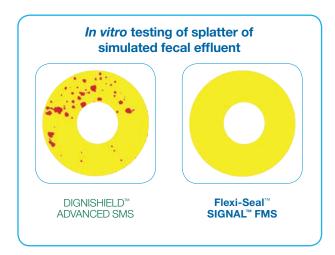
## **The Cost Impact**

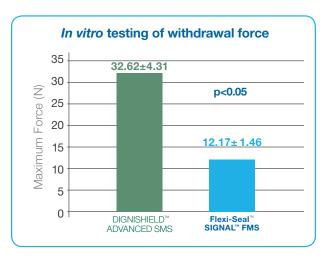
- Both C. difficile and pressure ulcers are associated with increased length of hospital stay and treatment costs.<sup>8,9</sup>
- The mean cost per CDI hospital stay in the USA is \$24,400.<sup>10</sup>
- In the USA, pressure ulcers are considered a Hospital Acquired Condition (HAC) and associated with an excess cost of \$40,000 per pressure ulcer in stage 3 or 4.<sup>11</sup>



## **Unique Product Benefits (in vitro testing)**

- Proven in vitro to contain the spread of C. difficile and prevent C. difficile from spreading into the environment.<sup>12</sup>
- Excess gas released through the collection bag filter minimizes the need for frequent bag changes, potentially reducing the aerosolized spread of *C. difficile* spores. 13,14
- The filter also eliminates the risk of manually releasing the excess gas from the collection bag.<sup>14</sup>
- The SIGNAL™ indicator is designed to prevent overfilling of the retention balloon.\*
- In in vitro testing, Flexi-Seal<sup>™</sup> SIGNAL<sup>™</sup> FMS showed no splatter of simulated fecal effluent upon removal compared to more than 25cm<sup>3</sup> for DIGNISHIELD<sup>™</sup> ADVANCE SMS.<sup>15</sup>
- In in vitro testing, Flexi-Seal<sup>™</sup> SIGNAL<sup>™</sup> FMS required nearly 3 times less withdrawal force compared to DIGNISHIELD<sup>™</sup> ADVANCE SMS.<sup>15</sup>





## **Odor Absorbing Technology**

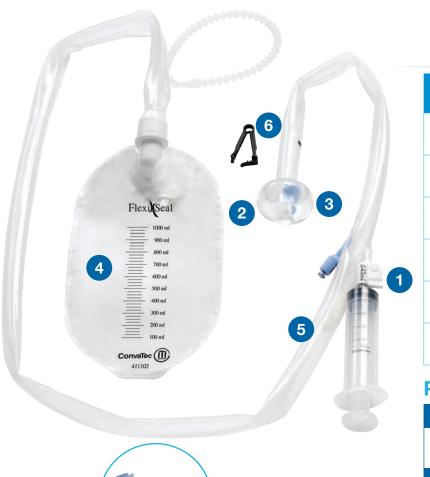
- Odor barrier runs the length of the catheter, providing an end-to-end odor barrier.<sup>16</sup>
- Privacy<sup>™</sup> Collection bag with 6x more odor-capturing compared to the charcoal filtered collection bags in *in vitro* testing<sup>17</sup> includes an integrated filter that deodorizes air for a more pleasant, comfortable environment.



#### **Improved Patient Experience**

 Opaque Privacy<sup>™</sup> Collection bag hides contents from family and visitors while a clear window allows clinician to monitor stool output and color discreetly without compromising patient privacy.

<sup>\*</sup> Maximum fill volume is ≤45ml. Filling should stop when the SIGNAL™ indicator pops out and stays out which could happen before 45ml if the rectal space is smaller than maximum balloon size. Never add more than 45ml total.





#### **Product Benefits Overview**

- SIGNAL™ indicator provides visual indication to help prevent overfilling, which helps indicate optimal fill
- Soft retention balloon with catheter
- 3 Patented blue finger pocket for ease of insertion
- 4 Charcoal-filtered vented bag
- Sampling port provides access to the catheter for safe and easy stool collection
- 6 Medication delivery via irrigation port

# **Product Ordering Codes**

#### Flexi-Seal™ SIGNAL™ FMS Flexi-Seal™ SIGNAL™ FMS Kit 418000 (1 kit/box, 1 bag) **Collection Bag Information** Privacy™ Collection Bag with 411108 APS Filter (10 bags/box) Collection Bag with Filter (10 bags/box) 411102

#### The Flexi-Seal® Fecal Collector with **Hydrocolloid Adhesive:**

- An alternative when the use of Flexi-Seal™ SIGNAL™ FMS is contraindicated
- Skin-friendly hydrocolloid adhesive with tape border
- Tapered pouch with drainage port & deodorizing filter
- Latex-free

#### Flexi-Seal™ Fecal Collector

Flexi-Seal® Fecal Collector with Hydrocolloid 650078 Adhesive (10 Collectors per box)

We recommend the use of skin barrier products before and during the use of Flexi-Seal™ SIGNAL™ FMS or Flexi-Seal™ Fecal Collectors.

| Skin I | Protectants   |        |
|--------|---|--------|
| (24x 2 | Care® Clear Zinc<br>oz tubes/case)<br>mmended for intact to red skin              | 413586 |
| (24x 4 | Care® Protective Barrier<br>oz tubes/case)<br>res to and helps treat denuded skin | 324614 |

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