

Case Study

In 2011 Panos, a five year boy in Greece underwent surgery for Megacolon. A large part of his colon was removed and a temporary ileostomy created.

Panos was very active before his surgery and continues to be so afterwards, running around most of the day, but he doesn't understand why he has to wear a pouch. Unfortunately the pouch he was wearing (not a Welland pouch) only stayed on his skin for a few hours at a time and this eventually resulted in an extended and painful dermatitis around his stoma.

Moreover, due to the dermatitis, Panos was reluctant to wear a pouch, making the procedure of pouch changing, which was sometimes 6 or 7 times a day, very difficult for his parents.



His parents informed their doctor about this unbearable situation and Welland Medical's Greek distributor, General Chemical Products S.A were contacted. One of their specialised nurses visited the family, discussed the situation and provided samples of Welland Medical's 1 piece Aurum ileostomy pouches to try.

The Welland Aurum pouch was recommended due to its skin friendly Hyperflex® Hydrocolloid with medical grade Manuka Honey. Eosin solution was used for approximately 2½ weeks and thereafter Welland WBF Spray was used between pouch changes. As a result Panos' pouch remained in place for up to 12 hours.

Welland Adhesive Remover Spray and Wipes are also used during pouch changes to minimise any pain and as a result Panos is no longer reluctant when it comes to this process and the procedure has become much easier for both Panos and his parents.

After month 2 the dermatitis had improved considerably and the wear time of the pouch increased to almost one a day.



Panos continues to wear a Welland Aurum 1 piece ileostomy pouch and his family only have to spend a few minutes a day taking care of his stoma. He can play and be as active as he likes and his parents have gained more confidence in helping and supporting him live with his stoma.



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