

Seepage is normal with the Flexi-Seal[®] Fecal Management System

If you are finding more stool is going around the catheter than into the collection bag, please check the following:

- Is the retention balloon seated on the rectal shelf? / Can you see black indicator line?
 - *The black indicator line should be visible at the end of the buttocks. If it is not visible or has moved, gently tug on the catheter to ensure the retention balloon is properly in placement.*
- Is the patient moving or being moved frequently in the bed?
 - *Ensure that the back indicator line is visible and has not moved. If it is not visible or has moved, gently tug on the catheter to ensure the retention balloon is properly in placement.*
- Was the retention balloon inflated with 45 ml of water or saline?
 - *If inflated with air the retention balloon will deflate over time.*
- Is the patient lying on the catheter?
 - *If so, reposition the catheter so it lays in between the patients legs.*
- Has the stool consistency changed? / Is the catheter blocked?
 - *Irrigate the catheter to help remove blockage (see package insert to review irrigation function)*
 - *Ensure that the catheter is not twisted or has any kinks*
 - *If necessary, remove the device to check for blockage*
- Does the patient have adequate sphincter tone?
 - *Remove the catheter and perform a digital rectal exam to check for adequate sphincter tone. If the patient does not have adequate sphincter tone, the device may not be appropriate it.*



