

## **Fact Sheet – Stoma, Colostomy, Ileostomy, NG tube & JP Drain**

\*Stoma should be pink/red in color.

\*Ostomy bag should fit around the stoma, allowing as little skin as possible to be exposed.

\*Ileostomy will have water stools and large amounts of gas.

\*Stoma site could be tender to touch post-op.

\*Colostomy bag may not have stool in it a few days post-op.

\*NG tube can be used for feeding and suctioning.

\*Placement of the NG tube must be checked before inserting any substance

\*The Gold Standard for placement of NG tube is the litmus paper.

\* Place the tube at the tip of the nose and measure by extending the tube to the earlobe and the top of the xiphoid process.

\*The bulb of the JP drain must be compressed to active suction.

\*The content of the bulb should be measured and color of the fluid q12. and chartered every 12 hours unless ordered to do more frequently.