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The EB Advocate

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Featured Product:
Systagenix SILVERCEL
NON-ADHERENT

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SILVERCEL
NON-ADHERENT

Systagenix SILVERCEL NON-ADHERENT antimicrobial alginate dressing is a non-woven pad. The dressing is designed to absorb wound exudate while not adhering to the wound. It is ideal for moderate to heavily draining wounds and helps to maintain a moist wound environment. SILVERCEL NON-ADHERENT is available from MPCPS in 4 1/4" x 4 1/4".

<http://www.systagenix.net/our-products/lets-protect/silvercel-non-adherent-197>

Apply now for 2016 Camp Spirit

Camp Spirit is a winter adventure Camp that gives children ages 9-18 an opportunity to enjoy winter activities in a safe environment. The camp is located in Winter Park, Colorado. McKesson Patient Care Solutions is a sponsor. Activities include skiing on bi-skis, dog sled ride, crafts, games, sleigh ride and marshmallow roast and much more!

Dates for 2016 [Camp Spirit](#) are Sunday, Feb. 28 - Thursday, March 3. Attendance is limited to 10 children with [recessive dystrophic EB](#). Participation is on a first-come first serve basis, so apply early. Applications are available in the "Forms" section of the camp website.



For more information, to request an application, or for questions: Please call Kaycie Artus at (303) 526-1018 or e-mail campspirit@comcast.net.

EB Awareness Week at McKesson Patient Care Solutions (MPCS)

MPCS employees were creative with this year's fundraiser for EB Awareness Week. Employees purchased paper butterflies and displayed them in all four MPCPS locations across the United States (Moon Township, Pa., Morristown, N.J., San Diego, Ca. and Auburn, Ala.). MPCPS raised \$1,300 for Debra of America, the non-profit organization that funds programs and services for EB families. Visit www.ebnurse.org to learn more about how MPCPS supports the EB community.

Did You Know?

It is important to be examined by your physician at least once each year and sometimes more often. This is because many commercial insurance companies and state Medicaid plans will not authorize coverage for supplies without documentation detailing up-to-date wound care dressing needed for EB wounds.

In many states, physicians are not permitted to write prescriptions for patients they have not seen in the past year. If your prescription is not up-to-date, you may experience a delay in receiving products, because suppliers such as McKesson Patient Care Solutions are unable to obtain the needed prior authorization or other conditions for coverage without recent, supporting medical documentation. Scheduling regular checkups may help in managing your health and your supply needs.

Have a question about insurance? Call 855.5EB.line or email EBline@mckesson.com

Insurance Payers News from MPCS

MPCS is a contracted supplier with hundreds of commercial insurance companies and is a participating provider with Medicare and most Medicaid plans. Our company also adds new contracts every year.

That's why a plan that was incompatible in the past may now be one that MPCS can accept.

Call the toll-free EB-line (855.5EB.line) to notify MPCS of changes in your health plan.

EB Nurse News & Events Calendar

Tell us about your next EB-themed event! We can post it on the [EB Nurse](#) website's [News and Events calendar](#) and help you get the word out.



Debra #EBFamilyDay in Pittsburgh

MPCS and [debra of America](#) kicked off EB Awareness Week with #EBFamilyDay at the Carnegie Science Center in Pittsburgh, Pa. in October. More than 60 EB families from Pennsylvania and Ohio attended the event. The day was filled with fun activities such as interactive exhibits, a private lunch and socializing with families around the region.



5 Questions with an EB Advocate: Gabrielle Sedor

Name: Gabrielle Sedor

Age: 24

Profession: Manager of Marketing & Supporter Led Events at debra of America

Hometown/State: Upper Saddle River, NJ, currently living in New York, N.Y.

Email your event information to MPC's dedicated [EB Advocate Team](#) today.

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Like "The EB Advocate" on Facebook to learn and share information about EB, wound care products, insurance tips and events of interest to the EB community!

Something Unique about Yourself: I love to run. I ran the NYC Half Marathon 2014 and 2015 in support of [debra of America](#) to help find a cure for EB. I have [EB Simplex Dowling-Meara](#) (sometimes referred to as Generalized Severe).



1. How did you first become aware of Epidermolysis Bullosa?

I cannot recall a time when I did not know about EB. Being born with EB, you learn to adapt your behavior subconsciously, long before you are aware of it. I cannot say exactly how EB makes me different from someone else - I only know a life with EB. I am sure that it affects me in ways that I don't even realize, for instance I may walk a bit differently so that my clothes rub a bit less, I may shy away from a sport that another person may embrace, but everyone has their own personal way of going about life, with or without EB. The most important thing that I like to remind myself of, and that I always hope to impress upon others, is that EB is just one aspect of a multi-faceted life.

Read more on the [EB Nurse website](#).

Call our Dedicated EB-line

Call the toll-free dedicated phone number to order wound care supplies for EB. The number is **easy** to remember:

855.5EB.line (855.532.5463)

A product specialist is available Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. ET to take orders and answer questions about products or insurance guidelines.

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**855
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