

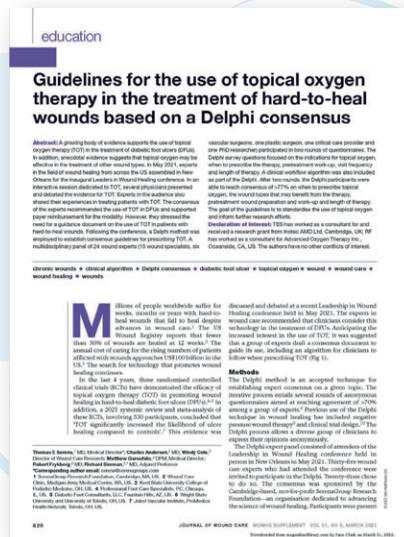
# Delphi Consensus on Guidelines for the Use of Topical Oxygen

The Delphi method is an accepted technique for establishing expert consensus on a given topic. The process aims at anonymously reaching agreement of >70%.

## EXPERTS AGREE

Delphi participants reach[ed] a consensus on when to prescribe topical oxygen.

The consensus of the experts recommended the use of TOT in DFUs and supported payer reimbursement for the modality.



“The use of topical oxygen in the treatment of DFUs and potentially other hard-to-heal wounds is supported by a large segment of the wound care community”

## Consensus Statements:

### TOT should be considered in the following circumstances

Delayed wound healing

Failure of prior therapies

Ischemic ulcers

### Wound types likely to benefit from TOT

Diabetic foot ulcers

Venous leg ulcers

Ischemic ulcers

### Frequency of Patient Visits

Patients should be seen at least weekly

### Duration of Treatment

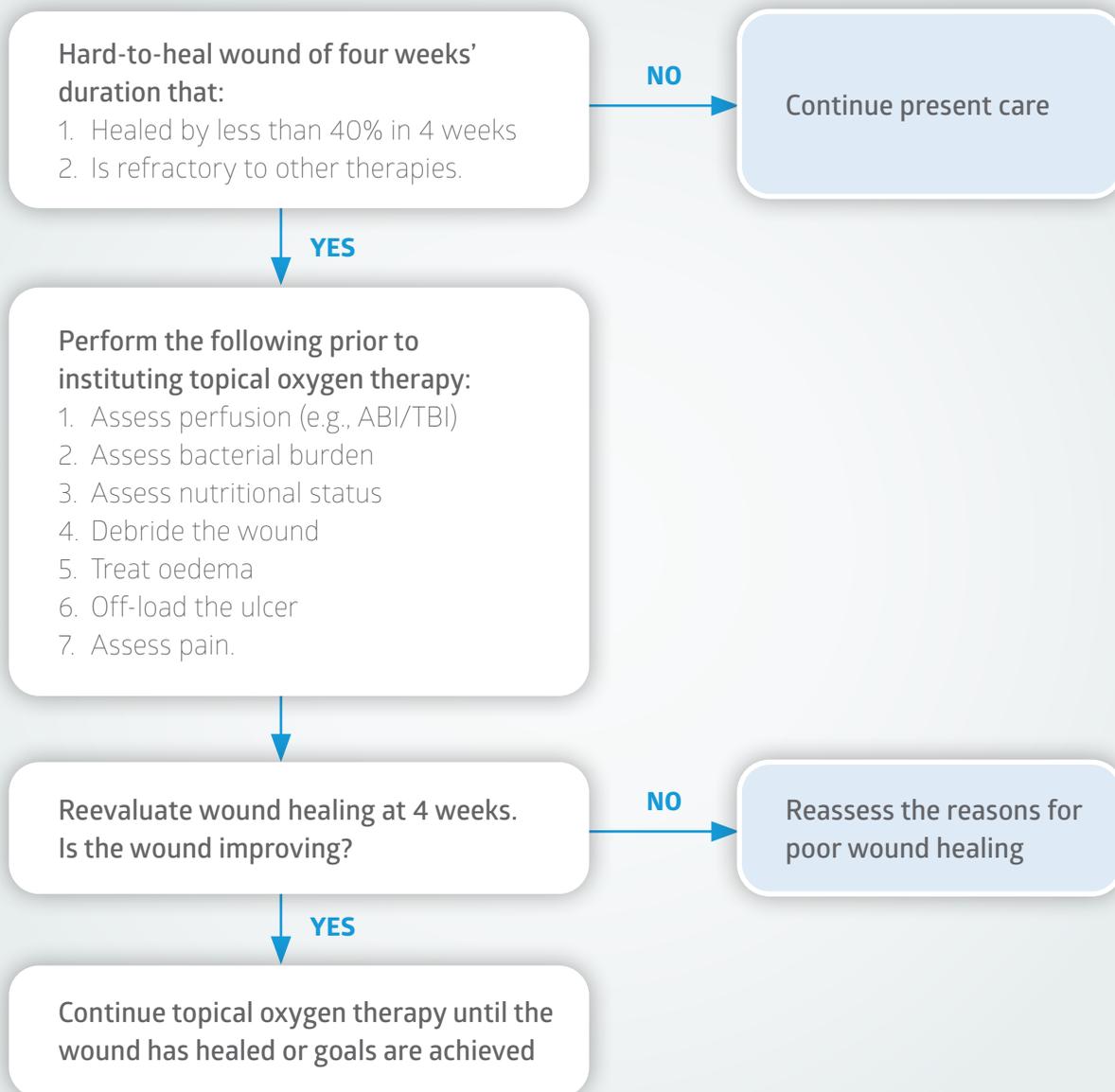
Reassess the wound every 4 weeks and continue TOT as long as the wound is improving

#### REFERENCE:

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## Fig 1. Topical oxygen clinical algorithm

ABI-ankle-brachial index; TBI-toe-brachial index



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