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Foreword

Welcome to 'Bags, bags', the Urostomy Association's first-ever book.

When it comes to speaking to a young child about health, we know it can sometimes feel difficult to know where, and how, to start. That's why our charity has created this unique publication to help explain urostomies in a non-scary way under-7s can understand.

I hope you will find the deliberately simple language - and charming illustrations - a useful conversation-starter with your child, grandchild or other little person in your life.

You can use this book to spark their interest and develop their understanding at the pace and level you think is right for them. We haven't gone into details because we recognise that how much you want to share with them is a personal choice and completely up to you.

I hope you enjoy reading 'Bags, bags' with the child - or children - in your circle, helping young minds understand that after all, it's only wee!

Hazel Pixley, Chief Executive, Urostomy Association





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We have lots of bags

in our house.



Shopping bags



Handbags



Holiday bags

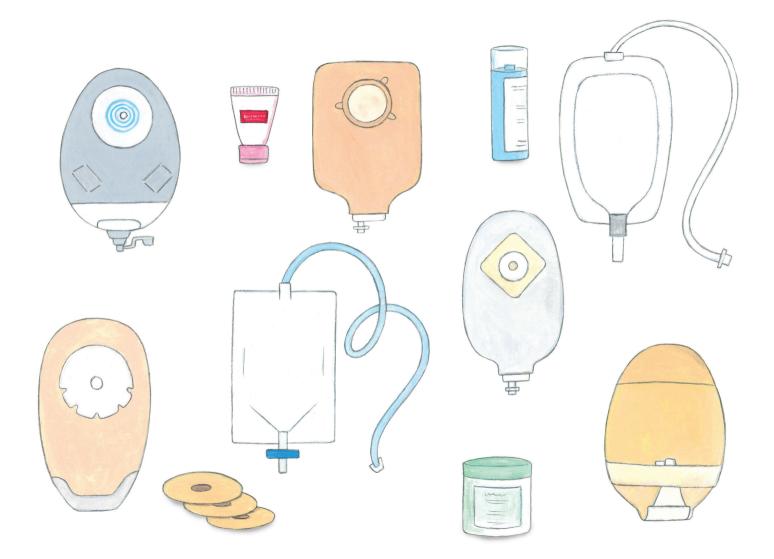


Party bags



And some very special bags

called urostomy bags.



see these bags.

Other people can't

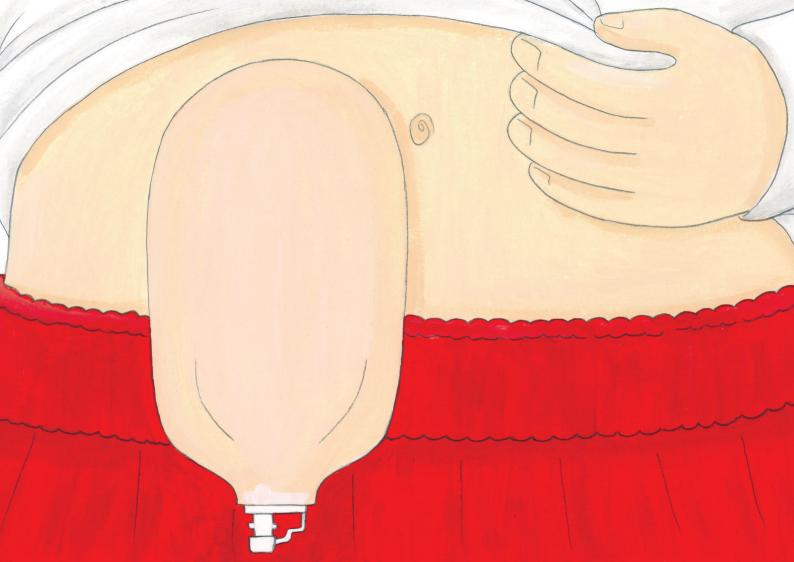
My family wear them under their clothes.



to their skin.

The bags attach

All their wee goes into the bag.



When they go to the toilet, they empty the bag.



We have to be careful with the bags so they stay on properly.

No squeezing or the wee goes everywhere!



Sometimes my family can feel poorly.

The doctors and nurses help them stay well.



together.

The bags keep my family

well so we can have fun









Thank you

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Further reading and resources

If you would like to delve a little deeper into the who, what, where and why of urostomies please visit our website for further information or scan the QR code below.

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