



Contributory Factor  Opportunity for Improvement	Casual Statement	Risk Reduction Strategy (Action Item)	Person(s) Responsible for Implementation	Follow-up Actions and Dates of Implementation	Measurement Strategy	Measure of Success
Lack of effective multi- disciplinary collaboration on pressure ulcer prevention  Lack of clinical practice/knowledge  Limited patient and family pressure ulcer prevention education  Lack of staff competency related to pressure ulcer prevention	Decision tools to determine risk, interventions, equipment choices, etc., not available, not adequate, not understood, not utilized, and not agreed upon	Convene a multi-disciplinary team including Nursing and Assistive Staff, Medical staff, Pharmacy staff, Materials Management staff, Patient Care Services, Nutrition Services, Physical Therapy, and Respiratory Therapy Representatives to work on pressure ulcer prevention strategies for the entire medical facility.	WO CNS MS CNS	New Multi-disciplinary Pressure Ulcer Prevention Workgroup (PUP) with sub-groups formed.  Group meets on a monthly basis.  Partners identified:  Nursing/Assistive Personnel  Materials Management  Pharmacy  Nutrition  Physical Therapy  Respiratory Therapy  Patient Care Services  Medical Staff Meeting agendas:  Entire Team: review of all policies and procedures related to skin assessments, practices re: treatment choices, practices re: treatment choices, practices reiated to equipment choices.  Subgroup: documentation of pressure ulcers and determine agreements for documentation parameters  Subgroup: develop plans to assess staff competency related to pressure ulcer prevention and optimal learning modality  Subgroup: Develop and approve patient and family education plan for pressure ulcer prevention  Subgroup: review policy/procedure for special problem pressure ulcers:  Nare pressure ulcers:	Monthly meeting with minutes  All policies, procedures for pressure ulcer assessments, interventions, and documentation updated and approved.  Ongoing goals are met.	Reduction in pressure ulcers  Measured quarterly and reported to Medical Facility Quality Improvement Committees:  Q1: July 1-Sept. 30 Q2: Oct. 1-Dec.1 Q3: Jan. 1-March 33 Q4: Apr. 1-June 30





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	Details about patient risk factors for skin breakdown and how to determine pressure ulcer staging not clearly understood by ICU nurses				ICN RN participate in skin rounds Target 70% (33) ICU RNs Workshop participation by RNs Target 48 RNs can participate in two workshops in 2008 Dates:	51% (24) of ICU RNs participated in "Skin Rounds"  Workshop 1: 70% or 17 RNs attended on (date)  Workshop 2: 80% or 19 RNs attended on (date)
				Education Programs:  1. Two 8-hour wound workshops scheduled over the next 3 months		





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	Details about patient risk factors for skin breakdown and how to determine pressure ulcer staging not clearly understood by PUP nurses			•	Completion of NDNQI Pressure Ulcer Staging Training annually  2 PUP RNs from participating inpatient units (N=22). Target: 100% by (date)  186 RNs from 2 ICUs from ICU. Target: 100% by 3 months (date)  Review pressure ulcer staging and documentation.  Target 90% consistency between 2 PUP RNs from each participating unit and Unite Resource RNs quarterly.  Daily Tracking Sheet updated.  Review all pressure ulcer event reports for staging and consistency by Wound/Ostomy and Medical/Surgical Clinical Nurse Specialists	100% of 22 PUP RNs completed training on (date) 100% of 186 ICU RNs completed training on (date) Update complete (date) 100% consistency in reporting for quarter ending (date)
				compare staging consistency.  Review event reports for staging and consistency with WO CNS and	event reports for staging and consistency by Wound/Ostomy and Medical/Surgical Clinical	
					<ul> <li>Duration: Ongoing</li> <li>Target for Compliance: 90% consistency of pressure ulcer staging between WOI CNS and staff</li> </ul>	





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Lack of documentation of complete pressure ulcer assessment on admission and ongoing  Lack of clear agreement regarding documentation parameters	Inconsistent or incomplete documentation of skin assessments	Complete and accurate pressure ulcer prevention and staging documentation	<ul> <li>Inpatient Nurse         Managers</li> <li>Assistant Nurse         Managers</li> <li>Unit Resource RN</li> </ul>	Ongoing assessment of pressure ulcers to evaluate appropriateness of treatment.  Conduct daily online audit of presence of pressure ulcers with stage and location included in admission documentation. Nurse Manager, Assistant Nurse Manager or Unit Resource Nurse RN will follow-up with assigned RN to ensure documentation is completed.	Daily online audit of pressure ulcer presence with stage and location included in admission documentation.  Sample Size: All inpatients  Duration: Ongoing  Target for compliance: 100% of all patient charts show documentation of pressure ulcer presence on admit including stage and location	100% of Admission documentation includes complete pressure ulcer findings for quarter ending (date)
Lack of identified optimum learning preferences of nurses.  Lack of awareness of pressure ulcer risk factors	Ineffective process used to update RNs about pressure ulcer risk factors	Identify optimum learning preferences through an online needs assessment survey	<ul> <li>WO CNS</li> <li>MS CNS</li> <li>PUP Work Group</li> </ul>	Online survey re: RN needs assessment review and approved by PUP.  Data completed:  1. Pilot survey completed by entire PUP Work Group (N=11)  2. Medical/Surgical Specialty Unites (N=23) & Orthopedic Inpatient Unit (N=6)  3. ICU Units (N=94)  4. All inpatient nursing units (N=132)	Completion report of online survey  Duration: 2 weeks  Target: 30% completion of online survey  PUP Work Group target: 3  Medical/Surgical Specialty Units and Orthopedic Unit target: 21  ICU Unit Staff target: 28  All inpatient nursing units target: 94	55% 6 PUP nurses completed survey on (date)  30.4% 21 RNs completed survey on (date)  41.4 39 RNs completed survey on (date)  20% 63 RNs completed survey on (date)

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Variability in Pressure Ulcer Prevention Practices	Decision tools to determine risk, interventions, equipment choices, etc., not available, not adequate, not understood, not utilized, and not agreed upon	Develop and implement best practices for:  1. Products 2. Equipment 3. Heel pressure ulcer 4. Nares pressure ulcers	WO CNS     MS CNS     Pressure Ulcer     Prevention (PUP)     Work Group	Subgroup: Investigate the use of alternative devices in addition to the standard use of pillows.  Conduct Literature review  Subgroup: Choose products  Rooke Boot for heels Securement product that works for NG and feeding tubes (Statlock Tube) Evaluate current practices. Develop best practices procedure. Develop educational posters and distribute to all units. Conduct trials for each product at separate times.  Choose units Choose units Claentify staff champions	Monthly meeting with minutes  All policies, procedures for products and equipment updated and approved.  All policies, procedures for heel and nares pressure ulcer assessments, interventions, and documentation updated and approved	Reductions in pressure ulcers measured quarterly
				<ul> <li>Final recommendations to Product Committee</li> </ul>		

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