Pressure Ulcer Info App

An app has been developed for the prevention and management of pressure ulcers by a team from Society & Health, working with the NHS and Social Service partners as well as the private and independent sector in North West London, through funding from Health Education North West London. The app accesses a range of educational materials for patients and carers (family, domiciliary, care homes).

- For laptops and desktops:
  - http://www.ldnh.co.uk/sites/default/files/PUInfo/PUInfo.htm
  - http://www.ldnh.co.uk/sites/default/files/PUInfo/index.html
- For Apple or Android devices:
Cochrane Reports


Nutritional interventions for preventing and treating pressure ulcers

Gero Langer and Astrid Fink Online Publication Date: June 2014

Risk assessment tools for the prevention of pressure ulcers

Zena EH Moore and Seamus Cowman Online Publication Date: February 2014

National Guidelines

Pressure ulcers: prevention and management of pressure ulcers. NICE guidelines [CG179] Published April 2014.

Pressure Ulcers –NICE Pathway

Parafricta Bootees and Undergarments to reduce skin breakdown in people with or at risk of pressure ulcers (MTG20)
Medical Technology Guidance Published November 2014.

NICE issues final guidance on ‘spray-on skin’ technology for healing burn wounds, and garments to prevent pressure ulcers
Published November 2014.

The Debrisoft monofilament debridement pad for use in acute or chronic wounds (MTG17)
Medical Technology Guidance Published March 2014.


Pressure Relieving Equipment


CAVANAGH, N., O’BRIEN, N. and VICKERS, A., 2014. The developing role of the pressure area care equipment coordinators in a large acute trust. *Wounds U K*, 10(2), pp. 64. [Full Text]


WIEGAND, C., WHITE, R., 2014. An introduction to the regulation of wound healing by micromechanical forces. Wounds UK, 10 (3).


Note: Collection notes: You will need to register (free of charge) with Clinical Key the first time you use it.
Pressure Ulcers – prevention and safeguarding


Updated guidance on pressure ulcer prevention issued. 2014. Nursing Older People, 26(5), pp. 6. Full Text


Skin Assessment – grading, care, integrity issues


SSKIN Bundles - effectiveness


HCAS and Role in Tissue Viability


Full Text


PIEPER, B. and ZULKOWSKI, K., 2014. The Pieper-Zulkowski Pressure Ulcer Knowledge Test. Advances in Skin and Wound Care, 27(9), pp. 413

Sources

The following sources have been searched for evidence published in the previous three months. Please contact the editor for further information.

- British Journal of Nursing
- Cochrane Library
- European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel
- National Patient Safety Agency
- NHS Institute for Innovation and Improvement
- NHS Scotland Guidelines
- NICE Guidelines
- Nursing Older People
- Nursing Standard
- Nursing Times
- Wound Essentials
- Wound UK

Some key Nursing journals were also scanned. For a full list of sources used for the update, please contact the Editor for further information.
HEFT Libraries-Good Hope, Heartlands and Solihull

Mobile Apps
The libraries facilitate access to NICE, BNF and Cochrane Library apps for your phone or tablet via your Athens password. These can be downloaded from the Apple App Store or Google Play. ASK your local library if you need support:

Goodhope.library@heartofengland.nhs.uk
Heartlands.library@heartofengland.nhs.uk
Solihull.library@heartofengland.nhs.uk

Topic of the Month
The topic of the month on display in the libraries across the sites for the November is National Stress Awareness Day. Visit your local library to see the display.

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