Skin Integrity

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Did you know...

- The wound chart has been updated? There is a box above the weekly wound tracing grid to document the wound measurements: maximum length, width and depth at skin level & undermined sections.

- The Braden Pressure ulcer Risk Assessment tool (PRAT) has a new row for “Clinicians assessment”? If your client’s risk score totals ‘low’ but you feel they are at a higher risk category, then document such and implement higher risk interventions.

- Dressing updates - Mepilex Border (skin tear dressing) has an improved outer dressing surface. Alleyvn Foam now comes in an adhesive dressing

- The Skin Integrity Resource Folder (hot pink) has been updated.

- The Skin Integrity resource folder is now on the Intranet-

- Log on → e Pulse → Patient Safety Unit → Quality & Customer Service → Wound Management Folder.

- Have you tuned into the new pressure ulcer poster?

- For Skin Integrity issues, contact either your unit’s Skin Integrity portfolio holder-

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Pressure ulcers developed at PH (↑) & admitted to PH (↑) with existing pressure ulcers.

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