PREVENTION & TREATMENT OF PRESSURE ULCERS

PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION

Promote skin integrity using hyperoxegenated fatty acids Linovera®

Areas at risk

B. Braun offers a holistic treatment solution for pressure ulcers. From wound bed preparation with Prontosan® to exudate management by skin barrier products (eg. Askina® Barrier Products) and dressings (eg. Askina® Foam/Askina® DresSil) patients in hospital, especially if bed-bound, are at risk of developing pressure ulcers.

HOW TO PREVENT PRESSURE ULCERS?

Healthy body weight & Nutrition
Hydration
Skin inspection
Repositioning
Spread awareness

ABOVE PRESSURE ULCER

A pressure ulcer is a localised injury of the skin and/or underlying tissue usually over a bony prominence, caused by pressure, or combination of pressure and shear.

4 MILLION PEOPLE IN EUROPE

are affected by pressure ulcers every year

8 – 23 % patients in hospital develop pressure ulcer

95 % of pressure ulcers are preventable

Factors to consider include:

- Patient quality of life
- Avoidance of pain and trauma
- Condition of periwound skin
- Main tissue type in wound
- Extent of wound
- Location of the wound

Classification of ulcer (based on EPUAP/NPUAP, 2009)

- Non-infected
- Infected
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Press on a dry or dry situation. Redness and warmth (heating indicates deep tissue injury). Check for moisture lesion.

- Remove slough
- Provide clean wound bed for granulation tissue

- Reduce bacterial load
- Manage exudate/odour

Signs and symptoms of infection, such as discoulasation, swelling, heat and/or pain, if untreated, can become the threatening.

- Add a cavity absorbent moist dressing (eg. Askina® Absorb+/Foam Cavity)

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PRESSURE ULCER TREATMENT CONCEPT*

I. Non-infected

II. Non-infected

IV. Non-infected

VI. Infected

Flush down tissue space with saline, tendon or muscle visible. Though may not be present but does not obscure the depth of tissue loss.

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For more information about products and treatments please visit www.bbraun.com

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