

UMC's Staff Education on Ostomy, Wounds and Pressure Injury Prevention: A Web-Based Resource

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BACKGROUND

To increase knowledge of the University Medical Center's Staff on pressure injury prevention, wounds, and ostomy. Staff education is one of the most important things a hospital can do. Identifying gaps and disseminating education and information related to wound care to all hospital staff, was the main objective of this clinical Project.

METHOD

The creation of an educational intranet webpage for staff, that is easy to access, review and learn about pressure injury prevention, wound treatment, current hospital products, and more. As well as to keep updated with Skin Task Force content and meetings, monthly wound educational flyers and events and ostomy support group.

RESULTS

The WOCN Intranet is currently updated and has been operational since October 2023. It is a work in progress with regular updates. It includes education on pressure injury prevention, wound treatment, ostomy care education, as well as monthly educational flyers "SWIPIP Huddle Report" relating to Pressure Injury Prevention and Skin products used in hospital.

CONCLUSION

Through the UMC WOUND Intranet we hope to add another method for disseminating easy to access education on skin, wounds, ostomy and pressure injury reduction. As well as reach multiple department to help close the gap in pressure injury prevention education, wound treatment and ostomy care education.

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The screenshot shows the UMC WOUND Intranet interface. At the top, it says 'INTRANET' and 'DEPARTMENT/ CLINICAL WOUND AND OSTOMY'. Navigation tabs include HOME, MYPAGE, EDUCATION, FEEDBACK, and SEARCH. Below this, it lists 'Departments of UMC - Wound and Ostomy' with links for WOCN Department, About Us, Our Team, and Contact Us. A main heading reads 'UMC Wound Care Team is comprised of Certified Wound Care and Ostomy Nurses and a Certified Nurse Assistant.' The page is divided into several sections: 'Wound / Skin Education' with links to LDA Flowsheet, CNA Unit Champion Class, etc.; 'Skin Programs' listing various councils and task forces; 'All About Ostomies' with links to support groups and guides; 'Resource Links' for supply lists and guidelines; 'Dressings & More' for application guides; and 'Research' with links to recent posters.

This section contains two overlapping documents. The top one is a 'Monthly Huddle Report' for 'SWIPIP Educational Flyer June 2023' through 'SWIPIP Educational Flyer PIP Sep 2023'. It includes a 'PRESSURE INJURIES STAGES' diagram showing four stages from non-blanchable redness to unstageable wounds. The bottom document is a 'REVIEW OF OPTIVIEW CLEAR FOAM' application guide, detailing steps like 'Use on at Risk Patients with Braden Scores <18' and 'Protect Bony Areas, Apply to Intact Skin'. It also includes a photo of a person's leg with a dressing.

The diagram compares partial and full thickness wounds. Partial thickness wounds are superficial, damaging the epidermis and dermis. Full thickness wounds extend beyond the dermis into subcutaneous tissue, muscle, or tendon. It also distinguishes between acute wounds (sudden, healing predictably) and chronic wounds (develop over time, healing stalled).

This diagram shows the human body with anatomical landmarks labeled. The anterior view shows the Upper and Lower Extremities, Chest, Torso, Groin, and Ankle/Malleolus. The posterior view shows the Occiput, Upper and Lower Arm, Upper and Lower Leg, and Heel. A callout box notes 'It's not just a butt wound...' with a diagram of a buttock showing various regions like the Sacral, Coccyx, and Perineal areas.

A table titled 'DOCUMENTATION' providing a checklist for wound documentation. It includes categories like 'Pressure Injury (LDA)', 'Wound Stage', 'Anatomical Location', 'Wound Characteristics', and 'Treatment'. Each item has a 'Yes/No' column and a 'Measurements' column for length, width, and depth.

