#StopThe Pressure

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	NHS Foundation Tru	ıst

Patient Information (or affix ID label)		
Patient Name		
Hospital Number		
Date Time		

RN Skin Inspection Checklist

Check areas and document skin at least twice daily



Are there any signs of pressure damage?

Redness / erythema Yes □ No □

Non-blanching persistent erythema / redness (NBE) Yes No Apply light finger pressure to area of discolouration for 10 seconds

Pain / soreness Yes 🖸 No 🗆

Warmer / cooler over bony prominence Yes No D

Spongy feeling Yes □ No □

Hardened Yes 🔲 No 🗆

Discolouration* Yes □ No □

In those with darkly pigmented skin redness is not always obvious, look for any colour changes in comparison to surrounding areas, other indicators will be warmth/cooler, hardening/oedema and spongy areas.

Broken skin

Yes No You must complete a wound assessment for any open wounds

Name, signature and Designation:

Date and Time:

Action taken:

BEST SHOT	
Buttocks	
Elbows / Ears	
Sacral area	
Trochanter (hips)	
Spine / shoulders	
Heels	
Occipital / back of head	
Toes	
Toes Devices	
Devices	
Devices O2	
Devices O2 Catheters	
Devices O2 Catheters Collars	

Check all areas and beneath all devices

Please tick appropriate box

- **Green:** No sign of pressure damage continue to inspect skin at least daily or re-assess if clinical change and document on pressure area care plan
- Non Blanching Redness (NBE): Early signs of pressure damage, update pressure area care plan move patient off red area and float heels, observe every 2 hours until redness resolves
- **NBE with one or more red ticks:** Update pressure area care immediately, communicate findings at huddles, consider changing mattress and referral to TVN. Use aSSKINg care plan to check care and identity changes

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