



Gold STAMP Program to Reduce Pressure Ulcers

Mission Statement

The Gold **STAMP** Program to Reduce Pressure Ulcers in New York State is a coalition of organizations convened to provide evidence-based resources and education across the continuum of care in New York State in order to improve the assessment, management, and prevention of pressure ulcers. (**STAMP**: **S**uccess **T**hrough **A**ssessment, **M**anagement, and **P**revention)

Goals

- ❖ Provide information and education across the continuum of care about evidence-based practices for pressure ulcer assessment, management, and prevention.
- ❖ Promote collaboration and communication within and throughout the continuum of care related to pressure ulcer assessment, management, and prevention.
- ❖ Provide strategic direction and support for pressure ulcer performance measurement.

Objectives

- ❖ Establish and distribute an electronic resource guide of evidence-based practices and tools for the assessment, management, and prevention of pressure ulcers.
 - Provide these materials for health care providers as well as patients, residents and their families related to pressure ulcers, specifically to address patients/residents who currently have pressure ulcers and patients/residents who are at risk of developing pressure ulcers.
 - Provide tools which enable providers across the continuum of care to conduct assessments of their own organizational processes related to the assessment, management, and prevention of pressure ulcers.
 - Provide an overview on performance measures as it relates to pressure ulcers (i.e., incidence and prevalence).
- ❖ Promote and facilitate communication within and across the continuum of care.
 - Distribute resources to existing local and regional collaborations focusing on pressure ulcer improvement.
- ❖ Provide education which promotes the evidence-based practices for pressure ulcer improvement and communication within and between care settings.
- ❖ Provide support and strategic direction for utilizing the tools and resources made available by the New York State Gold STAMP coalition.



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Gold STAMP Resources and Events

Resources

- **An Organizational Self – Assessment Tool of a Systems Approach for Pressure Ulcer Improvement**
- **The Gold STAMP Program Resource Guide**

Events

- **Statewide Tele/Webconference: “Introduction to the Gold STAMP Program To Reduce Pressure Ulcers,” on October 4, 2010 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
- **Statewide Symposium: Fall – Winter 2010 TBA**

A Patient Safety Issue

- Pressure ulcers (PU) are one of the five most common problems experienced by patients in healthcare facilities.
- Pressure ulcers increased by 80% between 1993 and 2006*.
- Pressure ulcers are both high cost and high volume adverse events, the majority of which can be prevented.
- In 2006, the mean cost of treating a patient with the primary diagnosis of PU in a hospital was \$1200/day.*
- In a study published in 2008, SNF Residents’, with Stage II pressure ulcers, median healing time was 46 days.* *
- In 2006, about 54% of hospitalized patients with a primary or secondary diagnosis of PU were discharged to a SNF.*
- Pressure ulcers negatively impact the patient’s quality of life by many times causing pain, reducing mobility, and inhibiting the individual’s overall feeling of wellbeing.

A Remedy

- There are evidence-based guidelines to inform practitioner and patient decisions about assessment, management and treatment of pressure ulcers.
- Guidelines are intended for the use of professionals who are involved in the care of patients and vulnerable people at risk of developing pressure ulcers, whether they are in a hospital, long-term care, assisted living, at home or any other setting
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*Sources: *NQF: National Voluntary Consensus for Developing a framework for Measuring Quality for Prevention and Management of Pressure Ulcers: April 8, 2009; and AHRQ Statistical Brief #64 Dec.2008*

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Organizational Partners

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