

Sample Checklist _ Prevent Perioperative Pressure Injuries

Access the free AORN Prevention of Perioperative Pressure Injuries Tool Kit at <http://www.aorn.org/guidelines/clinical-resources/tool-kits>.

- ✓ For every surgical patient, use a standardized method to perform a risk assessment for pressure injury development.
- ✓ Develop a plan of care for each patient to reduce the risk of a perioperative pressure injury.
- ✓ Reassess the patient's risk for pressure injuries frequently.
- ✓ Implement measures to prevent the occurrence of perioperative pressure injuries in surgical patients.
 - Reduce, relieve, and redistribute pressure.
 - Prevent shear.
- ✓ Communicate and include information about the risk and prevention measures for perioperative pressure injuries in patient hand-off communication to the next care provider.
- ✓ Educate perioperative team members about the patients' risks for the development of perioperative pressure injuries and prevention methods to decrease the occurrence.
 - Listen to the recorded webinars available in the tool kit.
 - Share the components of the tool kit with all team members.
 - Review guidelines for patient positioning in surgery.
 - Print and display the posters available in the tool kit.
- ✓ Evaluate your facility's progress to decrease the incidence of perioperative pressure injuries.
 - Work together as a process improvement team.
 - Conduct a gap analysis.
 - Review current policies.

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