

Skin Champions: Save Our Skin SOS

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Purpose

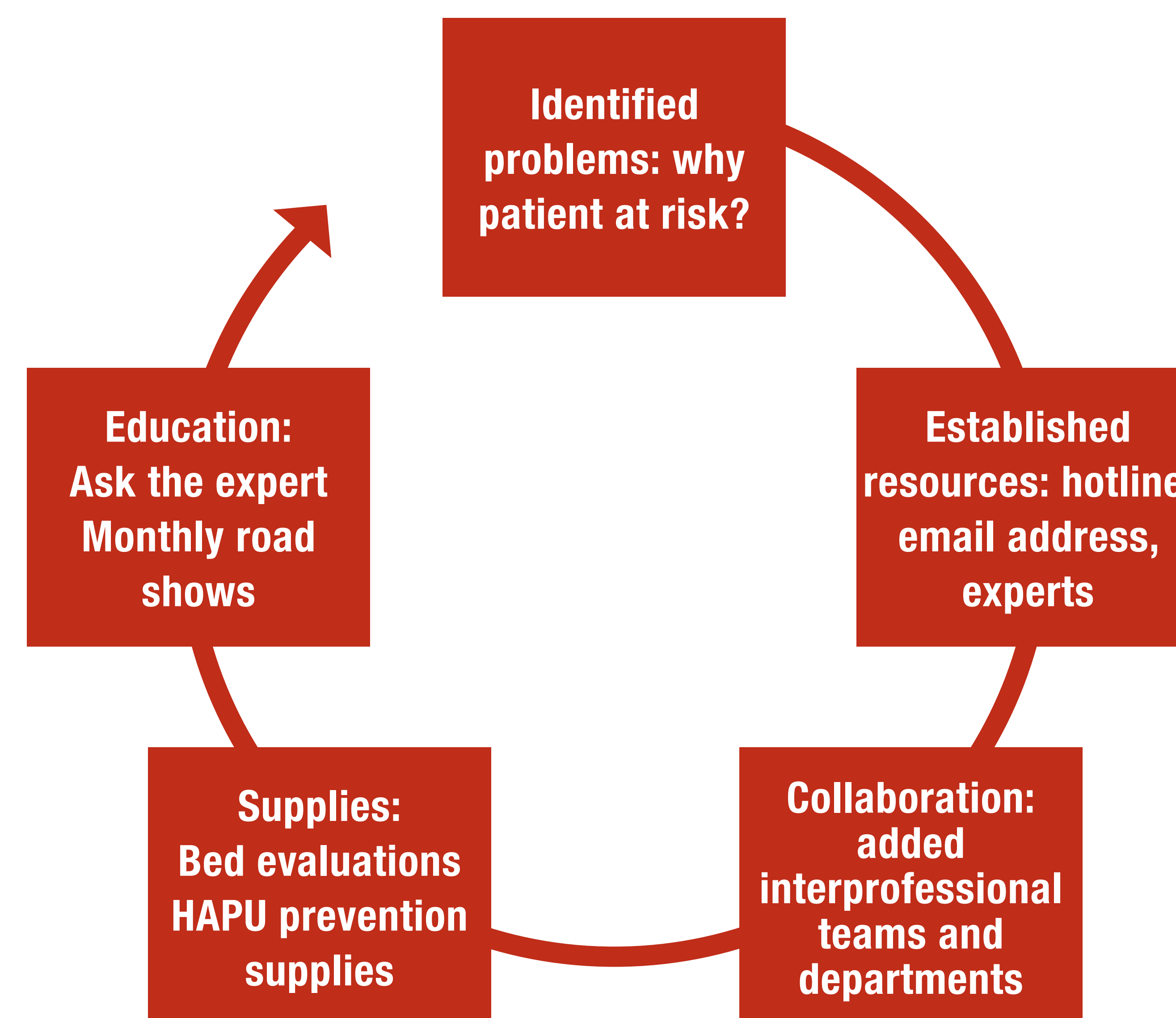
The goal of the skin champion program was to reduce the number of hospital acquired pressure ulcers. The sustainment goal of the program is the prevention of hospital acquired pressure ulcers.

The ultimate purpose is to “save our skin.”

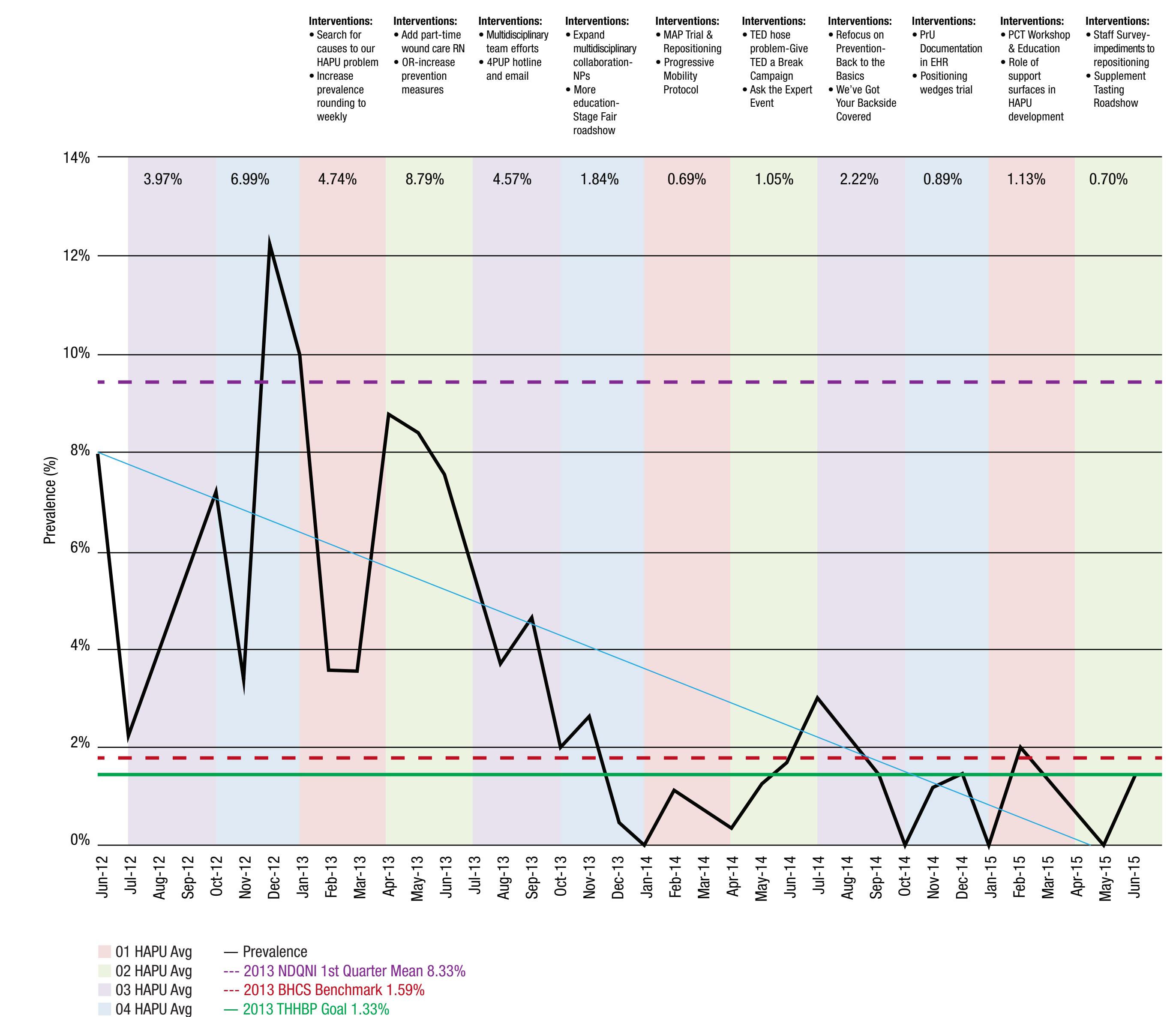
Significance

- Patient Safety
- Aligning care practices
- Safe, quality care
- Data use to drive change
- Defining areas of opportunity
- Addressing areas of opportunity
- HAPU impact on:
 - Patients
 - Caregivers
 - Associated costs

Strategies



Evaluation

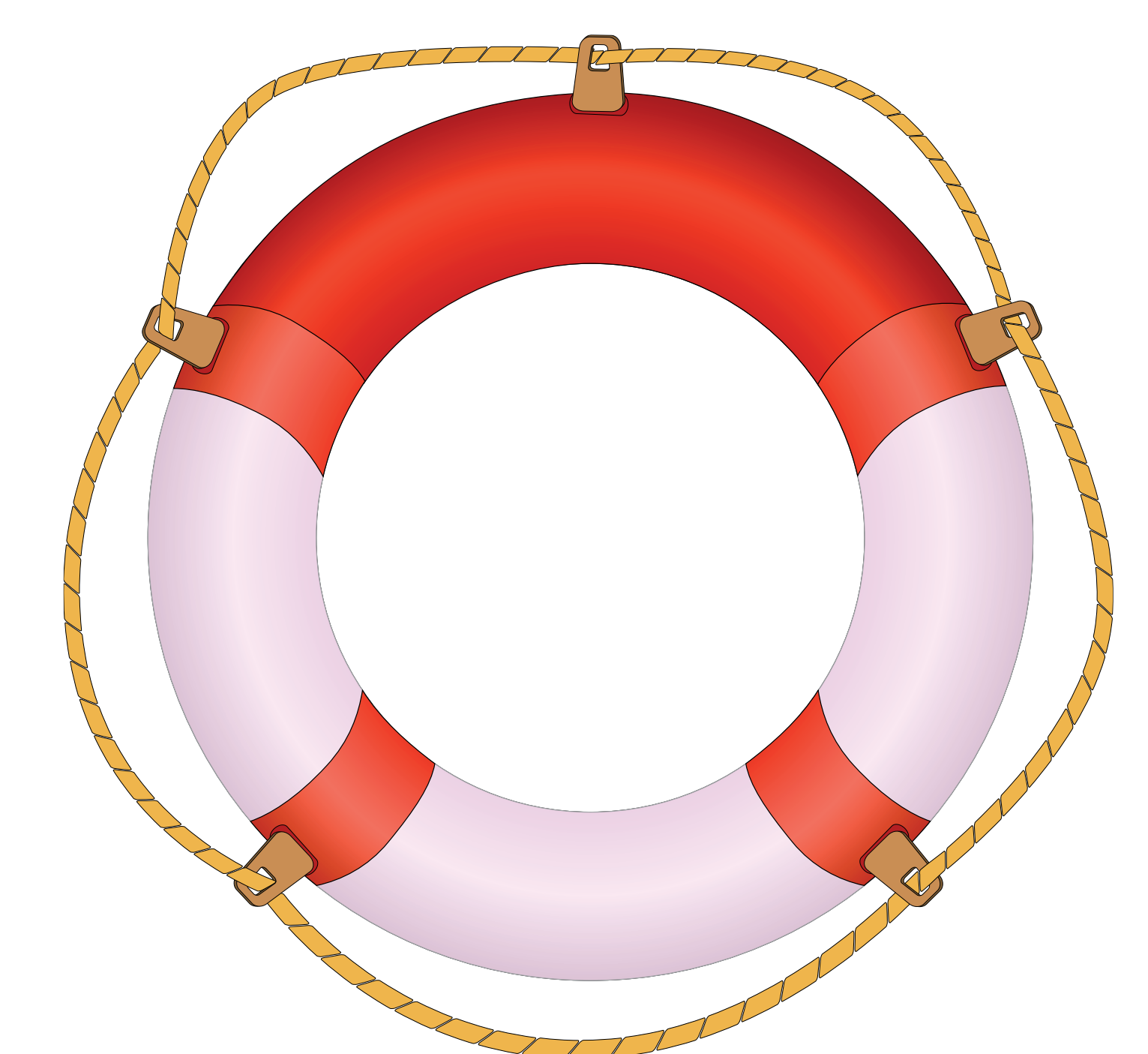


Skin Champion Team

- Interprofessional team who educates, consults, advocates, and drives prevention... our skin savers
- Physician
- Wound Care Nurse
- Dietician
- Physical Therapy
- Nurses
- Director of Professional Practice
- OR staff
- Education
- Occupational Therapy

Implications for practice

- Skin Savers:
 - Proactive evaluation
 - Proactive assessment
 - Proactive intervention
 - Education



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