Pressure Ulcer Prevention Measures that Made a Difference
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Outcomes:
- 2012-2013, hospital acquired HAPUs decreased by 40%.
- 2013-2015, decreased HAPUs was sustained.
- Quarterly prevalence rates were reduced.
- Beds are rented to meet patients’ special needs.
- Positioning is reinforced with staff annually.
- S.K.I.N.® bundle is discussed at monthly patient care assistant (PCA) meetings.
- PCAs track patient intake.
- Automatic RD consult if PU documented in the EMR.

S.K.I.N.® Bundle:
- Surface selection
- Turning
- Incontinence management
- Nutrition

Other Measures:
- Preventive dressings in OR & Ambulatory Care
- Foam dressings under Bi-pap mask
- PUP champion team
- Staff participation in quarterly PU prevalence study
- Annual RN competency – PU staging
- New nurse 4 hours 1:1 with WOCN