



# Indiana State Department of Health

“Continuing Success in Pressure  
Ulcer Reduction”

# Welcome

## Indiana Pressure Ulcer Initiative Phase 2 Participants

**WE  
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**PREVENT PRESSURE ULCERS.  
KNOW THE FACTS. TAKE ACTION.**



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# Thanks to Our Initiative Contributors

Sponsoring Companies for the Congress

Consumer Advisory Panel

Collaboration Team and Presenters

University of Indianapolis

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“If we could reduce the number by 100, we could save over \$2 million. Not to mention the more important aspect of quality of life for the patient.”

“Statistics don’t matter unless they are put to work. It is encouraging to see that happening with the patient safety reporting.”

Indianapolis Star Editorial  
August 24, 2009

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## The Goal is Zero

Duncan, K. D., *Preventing Pressure Ulcers: The Goal is Zero*, The Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Patient Safety, vol. 33, no. 10. (October 2007).

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## Essentials of Pressure Ulcer Prevention

- Assessment upon Admission
- Reassess Risk Daily
- Inspect Skin Daily
- Manage Moisture
- Optimize Nutrition and Hydration
- Minimize Pressure

Initiative Goal of a 16-20%  
reduction in pressure ulcers.

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# Understanding

Knowledge is the power of prevention.

Six online education modules

Two learning sessions

Consumer brochure

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# Responsibility

Make it personal.  
Prevention begins with one.

Success stories of individuals taking ownership for preventing pressure ulcers.

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# Compassion

The heart of prevention is caring.

We heard Sherrie's story and were inspired.

We heard the stories of residents and families and were touched.

We saw a brochure developed by residents and families and were humbled by their passion.

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# Care Coordination

Assuring hand-offs.

We experienced neighbors meeting for the first time.

We learned of regional coalitions formed to improve care coordination.

We learned of physicians setting up a system to ensure direct verbal communication between providers.

We developed a tool for ensuring communication between providers.

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## Assessment

Consistent and timely.

We saw an increase in identification of pressure ulcers of over 30%.

We saw an increase of assessments completed within 24 hours of admission of 64% for home health and over 10% for hospitals and nursing homes.

We saw a 20% increase in interventions based on assessments and a 25% increase in daily skin inspections.

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# System-based

## Transparency of care

Facilities formed skin teams to increase awareness of pressure ulcers.

Facilities incorporated new tools into their system.

Facilities added pressure ulcer training to new employee orientation.

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# Continuity Beyond Initiative

Developing resources for  
consistency and continuity.

For phase one participants, the challenge continues.

For phase two participants, the challenge begins.

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Coming Soon!

The Indiana Healthcare  
Associated Infection Initiative

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# Collaborate on Quality

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Care Givers

Residents

Provider  
Associations

Patients

Hospice

Families

CMS / ISDH



Hospitals

Home Health

Patient Care  
Organizations

Nursing Homes



Falls

Alzheimer's

Patient Safety

Dementia

Behaviors

Staffing

Abuse

Restraints

Incontinence

Emergency  
Preparedness

Pressure Ulcers



## Indiana

Leading the way



# Health Care

A Tradition of Excellence



Quality  
Our ultimate goal



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# Pressure Ulcers Reduced by 32% in Participating Facilities and Agencies.





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