

Manitoba Health, Healthy Living & Seniors (MHHLS) supports reporting and learning from patient safety events. The focus of a patient safety review is to closely look at the health care system that surrounds and interacts with those giving and receiving care. The goal is to identify risks to patient safety and recommend the most effective ways to minimize risk and improve the delivery of healthcare.

Patient Safety Learning Advisory

Pressure Ulcer

Summary:

Clients developed pressure ulcers after admission to a health care facility.

Keywords: Pressure ulcer
Device Name (if applicable): N/A
Drug/Name/Fluid Name: (<i>if applicable</i>): N/A
Type of Analysis: multiple events

Topic: Pressure Ulcer

Findings of the Review:

The limitations of the Braden Scale and the lack of guidance to direct staff to the appropriate interventions increased the likelihood the pressure ulcer would progress to stage 3 or 4.

System Learning:

Continue to review/revise the Braden Scale for Predicting Pressure Sore Risk.

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