

MDS Alert

Clip 'N' Save: Before You Call Your Risk Assessment A Wrap, Check Out The Pressure Ulcer RAP

PRESSURE ULCERS CARE RAP KEY

TRIGGERS

Pressure ulcer present or risk for occurrence if one or more of following present:

Pressure Ulcer(s) (Present)(a)

[M2a = 1, 2, 3, 4]

Bed Mobility Problem (Risk)

[G1aA = 2, 3, 4, 8](b)

Bedfast (Risk)

[G6a = checked]

Bowel Incontinence (Risk)

[H1a = 1, 2, 3, 4]

Peripheral Vascular Disease (Risk)

[I1j = checked]

Previous Ulcer (Risk)

[M3 = 1]

Skin Desensitized to Pain or Pressure (Risk)

[M4e = checked]

Daily Trunk Restraint (Risk)(c)

[P4c = 2]

(a) Note: Codes 2, 3 and 4 also trigger on the Nutritional Status RAP.

(b) Note: Codes 2, 3 and 4 also trigger on the ADL RAP.

(c) Note: This code also triggers on the Falls RAP and Physical Restraints RAP.

GUIDELINES

Other factors that address or may complicate treatment of pressure ulcers or risk of ulcers:

Diagnoses or Conditions: Diabetes [I1a], Alzheimer's Disease [I1q], Other Dementia [I1u], Hemiplegia/Hemiparesis [I1v], Multiple Sclerosis [I1w], Edema [J1g]

Interventions/Programs:

- Pressure Relieving Chair/Beds [M5a, M5b]
- Turning/Repositioning [M5c]
- Nutrition or Hydration Program to Manage Skin Care Problems [M5d]
- Ulcer Care [M5e]
- Surgical Wound Care/Treatment [M5f]
- Application of Dressings (With or Without Topical Medications) Other Than to Feet [M5g]
- Application of Ointment/Medications (Other Than to Feet) [M5h]
- Preventative or Protective Skin Care (Other Than to Feet) [M5i]
- Preventative or Protective Foot Care [M6e]

- Application of Dressings to Feet (With or Without Topical Medications) [M6f]
- Use of Restraints [P4c,d,e]

Medications:

- Antipsychotics [O4a]
- Antianxiety [O4b]
- Antidepressants [O4c]
- Hypnotics [O4d]

Source: RAI User's Manual, appendix C.