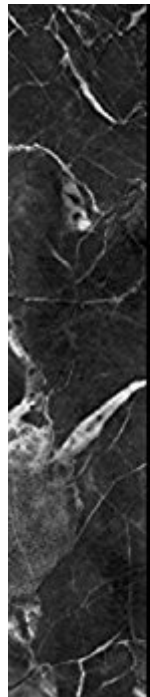




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Synopsis

Without proper attention to risk factors, preventive measures, and early vigorous care and treatment, superficial areas of pressure injury to the skin can evolve into deep soft tissue necrosis and ulceration, from which life-threatening complications may ensue. The purpose of this course is to provide physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners with the information necessary to prevent pressure ulcers, when possible, and to properly care for patients with pressure wounds. In addition, members of the public may use this course to enhance their personal knowledge of the subject matter presented. Upon completion of this course, you should be able to:

1. Discuss the epidemiology, etiology, and pathogenesis of pressure ulcers.
2. Identify patients at risk based on extrinsic and intrinsic factors important to pathogenesis.
3. Define the severity and progression of pressure ulcers by stage.
4. Analyze techniques available for the diagnosis of pressure ulcers.
5. Develop an effective strategy for prevention of pressure ulcers.
6. Choose appropriate options for wound cleansing, debridement, and dressing based on wound types.
7. Manage other aspects of the care of patients with pressure ulcers, including pain management.
8. Create individual treatment plans based on patient characteristics and pressure ulcer stage.
9. Identify the qualities of a pressure ulcer that should be monitored.
10. Outline possible complications and comorbidities of pressure ulcers and their treatment.
11. Describe the medico-legal aspects of pressure ulcers and the significance of correct documentation and patient education.

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