



Wound Assessment and Documentation

This module will review critical components of wound assessment, including pressure ulcer staging, wound measurement and identification of various tissue types. Accurate wound assessment is of paramount importance to ensure accurate communication between clinicians when choosing an appropriate management plan and recognizing the need for a change in care.



Objectives

- Identify the purpose for wound assessment
- Discuss important components of wound assessment and documentation
- Describe documentation methods for wound assessment

This program includes:

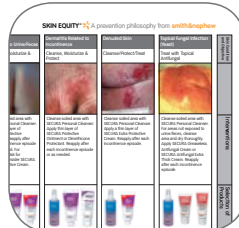
Clinical education

- PowerPoint® for train-the-trainer
- Live webinar training by Smith & Nephew clinical staff
- Chaptered video on DVD



Product training

- Training on Smith & Nephew products and their indications by Smith & Nephew representative
- DVD of product application demonstrations



Bedside tools

- Wound Assessment Pocket Guide
- Pressure Ulcer Staging Card
- Wound Ruler for staff training
- Wound Care Quick Reference Clinical Guide



Multi-media resources – for review on-demand

- Chaptered DVD: Wound Assessment and Documentation
- Recorded webinar
- Interactive, accredited module on Wound Assessment on Global Wound Academy at www.globalwoundacademy.com



Suggestions for success:

1. Provide education from PowerPoint® or DVD or schedule a live webinar for professional staff
2. Provide Wound Assessment Pocket Guide to each skin and wound care champion or as a resource for the unit/facility
3. Use the wound rulers in an exercise to practice accurate wound measurement
4. Provide pressure ulcer staging cards for those responsible for staging pressure ulcers
5. Develop a flow sheet as a method of wound assessment documentation. This assures that even the wound care novice captures all components of the wound assessment
6. Monitor documentation to assure that it is thorough and accurate
7. Follow with staff review of Wound Assessment module from Global Wound Academy, where participants can take exams to test their knowledge