

North Simcoe Muskoka LHIN
Wound Management Standardization Strategy

Midland Working Group Meeting

May 19, 2010

Attendance: Koralee, Hillcrest Village; Jennifer Simpson, Hillcrest Village; Joanne vanRennes, LHIN Wound Strategy; Sue Martin, Bayshore Home Health; Erin Peters, Georgian Bay General Hospital; Beth Henderson, Beausoleil First Nation; Leeanne, Beausoleil First Nation; Christina Bath, Villa Care Center.

Regrets: Janet Baum, Georgian Manor

1. **Welcome**

Introductions were made around the table. Again the group was encouraged to raise names of any colleagues that may have an interest in joining the steering committee.

2. **Prevalence Activities**

Joanne updated the group on the prevalence activities to date. Presently there are 17 LTCF who plan to, or already have, completed their prevalence data collection exercise. Those facilities that have finished their data collection, have forwarded their completed tools to Joanne, and reports will be delivered at the next working group meetings in July. All of the Midland LTCF as well as the hospital, have completed their prevalence data collection to date.

3. **Education Index**

Joanne introduced the Education Index. This document is meant to act as a 'table of contents' for the standardized practice guidelines that will be produced during this project. Joanne reviewed each heading within the index, explaining what the intent of each section would be. The documents will be available on line for access as well as be able to print, for those facilities that require a paper based manual for staff.

Joanne asked the group for feedback on the index as well as topics/sections that may be omitted from this current draft.

The group confirmed the need for sections to do with offloading, prevention and routine skin care specifically. A brief discussion around how to decide which surface would work best for a client, and Joanne shared, with Sue's input, the surface algorithm that the NSM CCAC currently uses. There was interest from the group to see this tool.

Joanne also shared the Best Practice Recommendations for Skin Tears article from the CAWC with the group. The group talked about education ideas for future planning and discussed lunch and learns activities, rounds, etc. could be organized.

As well the idea of using 'family council' meetings as a vehicle to share information with families and caregivers, as well as notices, newsletters, was well received.

Erin shared that she has noticed an increase in physicians ordering laser therapy for wound treatment. The group jointly admitted they were not aware of substantial research on this modality, or had little experience with its use.

Action:

1. Joanne to include this feedback, as well as the additional feedback from all of the working groups, and complete the index to its final stage.
2. The group is to forward any additional feedback they may have, as able over the next week.
3. Joanne to bring a sample of the NSM CCAC surface algorithm to the next meeting.
4. The group is to consider whether they have any information on the use of laser and bring to next meeting or forward to Erin.
5. Joanne to forward any references on the efficacy of laser therapy to Erin.

4. June 15th Meeting

Joanne encouraged the group to attend the upcoming all stakeholders meeting on June 15th, in Barrie. The group was encouraged to bring additional wound champions, or decision makers, from their organizations who need to understand about the project, or become more specifically involved.

Action:

1. R.S.V.P to be forwarded to either Joanne or Lynne LaRose at lynne.larose@nsm.ccac-ont.ca

5. Meeting Close

Meeting adjourned at 4pm

6. Next Meeting

July 5th, at 230-4pm, Hillcrest Village Care Centre, in Midland.