

APPENDIX I: HAPU TOP TEN CHECKLIST

Associated Hospital/Organization: AHA/HRET HEN 2.0

Purpose of Tool: A checklist to review current or initiate new interventions for HAPU prevention in your facility.

Reference: www.hret-hen.org

2016 HAPU Top Ten Checklists				
Process Change	In Place	Not Done	Will Adopt	Notes (Responsible and By When?)
Analyze HAPU data for trends by unit for patient characteristics, anatomical location and other contributing factors.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Learn from HAPUs by conducting a Root Cause Analysis on stage III, IV and unstageable ulcers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Conduct a pressure ulcer risk assessment within 4 hours of admission. Reassess at intervals defined by patient care need.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Activate HAPU prevention bundles for high-risk patients. Create bundles that include interventions that mitigate contributing factors identified in trended HAPU data. Involve staff in the creation and implementation of the bundles.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Assess reliability of admission total body skin assessments to identify opportunities to improve present on admission documentation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Assess staff skill in comprehensive skin assessment and provide education, case studies and rounds to increase awareness of early detection of pressure ulcers and the protective measures to be taken to prevent progression.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Investigate clinical practices and reporting of Medical Device Related Pressure Ulcers (e.g., oxygen tubing, trach, cervical collars, orthotics).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Establish a partnership with nutritional services to assure timely nutritional assessments and implementation of interventions for high-risk patients.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Conduct an assessment of adequacy of support surfaces (e.g., ER carts, OR Tables, ICU units, med surg units) and shear prevention devices (e.g., lifts, glide sheets). Engage executive leadership in planning for replacement as needed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Design a process to engage patients and families in assessing for early warning signs of HAPU and participating in preventative measures.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	