Referral and Datix Process for in-patients with a pressure ulcer

Patient has a pressure ulcer

Do Not DATIX*

1. Document in PUDRA
2. Complete Interventional Plan of Care (reverse of PUDRA)
3. Complete Wound Assessment and Management Chart
4. Ensure pressure redistributing equipment in place to reflect patient need
5. Ensure electric profiling bed is used to maximise pressure redistribution

Did pressure ulcer develop in this clinical area?

Yes
- Refer all ankle and foot ulcers Grade 2 and above to Podiatry.
- Refer all other Grade 2 and above ulcers to Tissue Viability
- Datix will be completed by specialist after review of patient in partnership with nursing staff.

No
- Refer all ankle and foot ulcers Grade 2 and above to Podiatry.
- Refer to Podiatry if pressure redistribution or wound advice required for ulcers on ankle or foot.
- Refer to tissue viability if pressure redistribution or wound advice required for ulcers not on ankle or foot.

*complete Datix if there is communication or other care related issue for patients admitted with pressure ulcer