

# Reducing hospital-acquired pressure injury using a learning health system approach

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# Agenda



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Introduction	Deborah Tuttle, RN, MPS, CPHQ, Project Manager, EQIC
Reducing hospital-acquired pressure injury using a learning health system approach	<p><b>Shea Polancich, PhD, RN</b>, Assistant Dean, Clinical Innovation and Quality Improvement, Associate Professor, University of Alabama at Birmingham</p> <p><b>Terri L. Poe, DNP, RN, NE-BC</b>, Chief Nursing Officer, UAB</p> <p><b>Ross Vander Noot, MD</b>, Medical Director, Inpatient Wound Care Service, UAB</p> <p><b>Amy A. Armstrong MSN, RN, CWOCN, CNL</b>, Nursing Professional Development Specialist- Quality Programs-Pressure Injury Prevention, Center for Nursing Excellence, UAB</p>
Q & A	Deborah Tuttle

# Questions?

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# Priority

Significant hospital feedback during the EQIC organizational assessments showed that pressure injuries remain an issue and challenge for many organizations.

- COVID-19 related
- New PI practice guideline (11/2019)
- Complexity with coding

# Data submission reminder

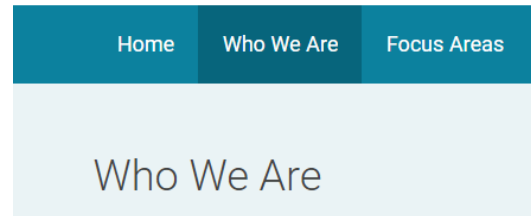


Manual submission of PI and falls data remains outstanding for many hospitals at the top of year two of the EQIC program. Your assistance is needed:

- For non-NDNQI hospitals, pressure injury and falls data must be entered into the data portal.
- Requesting data back to September 2020 (the start of the contract).
- Timely and complete data needed to inform programming, provide benchmarks, inform progress to CMS project goals.
- Please reach out to your EQIC project manager for assistance with the data portal or PI/Falls data measures.

# Pressure injury prevention support

- Reach out to your hospital's assigned project manager for assistance.



- EQIC website
  - Top prevention highlights – evidence-based practices
  - eLearning module – Preventing Pressure Injuries
  - EQIC Pressure Injury Discovery Tool

# Thank you.

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## Next UBS Wednesday: Health Equity

November 10, 2021

1 - 2 p.m.