

Pressure Ulcers?

"Not on my watch"

NHS

**Warrington and
Halton Hospitals**

NHS Foundation Trust

Eliminating pressure ulcers caused by Nasogastric (NG) tubes in Intensive Care

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The extent of the problem

Previous NG dressing pulled the NG tube towards the anterior aspect of the nostril.

Without complete dressing removal visualisation was limited and then ulcers were revealed.

Lack of adipose tissue resulting in quick deterioration to grade 2 or 3 ulcers.

Warrington Hospital ICU:

9 DATIX reports November 2014-November 2015 for NG tube related pressure ulcers



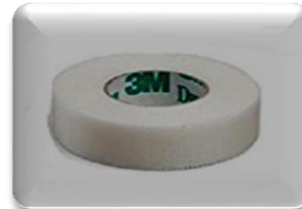
Changing Practice



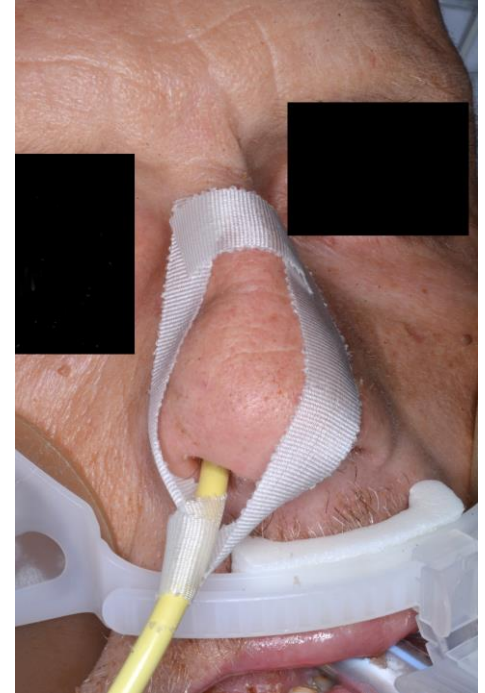
'Nasofix'



- Creating awareness
- 2 patients trial
- Ward posters
- Demonstrations
- Training Video



'Durapore' Tape



Results & Moving Forward

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incidents of NG
tube pressure
ulceration = 0



- Increased vigilance of all medical devices
 - Emphasis on prevention
 - Dissemination to ward areas