

## 1. Staff engagement

### 1.1. Buddy

On return to the ward, each team member is to buddy with a ward colleague who is not attending the learning sessions. Agree the buddy system between the team members and then share your learning with your PUTZ buddy.

### 1.2. Communicate SMART aim to ward colleagues

Make the QI Collaborative PUTZ 4 goal everybody's business and think of creative ways to share it with ward colleagues so that it becomes everybody's business and everybody's interest.

*"Reduce the number of hospital acquired pressure ulcers by 50% across participating teams within a six month timeframe and sustained by September 2020.*

### 1.3. Encourage colleagues to come up with change ideas and record them

Try some of the techniques used in the collaborative to encourage colleagues to generate some ideas that might improve pressure ulcer prevention. These ideas might be around risk assessment, the SSKIN bundle, communication, and/or documentation. Think of how these ideas can be captured, perhaps through a notice board or a suggestion box.

## 2. Measuring for improvement

### 2.1. Safety Cross

Continue recording the number of pressure ulcers on the ward safety cross. Record the date and grade of newly acquired pressure ulcers on the table. Observe colour codes:

Red:	Newly acquired
Yellow:	External transfer to ward
Blue:	Internal transfer to ward
Green:	No pressure ulcer

Guidance and answers to frequently asked safety cross questions can be accessed on the PUTZ Webinar Safety Cross available at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KTl5a5Dr1M8>

[http://www.hse.ie/eng/about/Who/qualityandpatientsafety/safepatientcare/Pressure\\_Ulcers/Pressure\\_Ulcer\\_Information/](http://www.hse.ie/eng/about/Who/qualityandpatientsafety/safepatientcare/Pressure_Ulcers/Pressure_Ulcer_Information/)

### 2.2. Visible Safety Cross

Ensure that all ward colleagues understand the safety cross and that it is visible to staff, patients and the general public

### 3. Use of Improvement Methods

#### 3.1. Testing the SSKIN bundle

Try testing the SSKIN bundle on one patient and then answer the following questions for your Learning Session 2 story board

- Did you think about the test or plan it before starting?
- What did you do?
- What happened?
- Is this what you expected to happen?
- What would you change if you were to test again?
- Did you learn from this experience?

#### 3.2. Webinar

The National QI team will provide webinars for you to join in between the learning sessions. Schedule of webinar sessions will be communicated by email to the participating site leads and team leads in due course.

### 4. Knowledge and Skill Development

A webinar series will be provided in between leaning sessions to boost learning specific to PUTZ topics. A schedule of dates and topics will be communicated by email to the site leads and team leads in due course.

### 5. Person & Family engagement - **OPTIONAL POSTER COMPETITION**

5.1. All participating sites are offered an opportunity to design a PUTZ poster for public areas in participating PUTZ 4 sites. All that is required is a power point template of a poster that considers the following criteria:

- Target audience - general public
- SSKIN bundle
- Pressure Ulcers to Zero logo

There is no limit to the number of site/team/individual submissions. The poster template will be judged by a panel of service users and the winning poster template will be printed as a poster for all interested participating sites.

Please submit templates to: [Annette.cotter@hse.ie](mailto:Annette.cotter@hse.ie) before 5pm on Friday 21st March 2020.

### 6. Story board

6.1. Using the current story board template continue your team's PUTZ story. Print your team's story and display on a poster board at Learning Session two. Teams are invited to bring examples and/or resources that showcase the good practices that have been developed locally to support their work in preventing pressure ulcers e.g. patient leaflets, logos, signs, photographs.

Slide 1 Your team

Slide 2 A Safety Cross for every month since learning session one  
Slide 3 Experience of testing the SSKIN bundle on one patient

Slide 4 An overview of the team's' successes and challenges since learning session one.