Collecting the number of Pressure Ulcers per month using a Safety Cross



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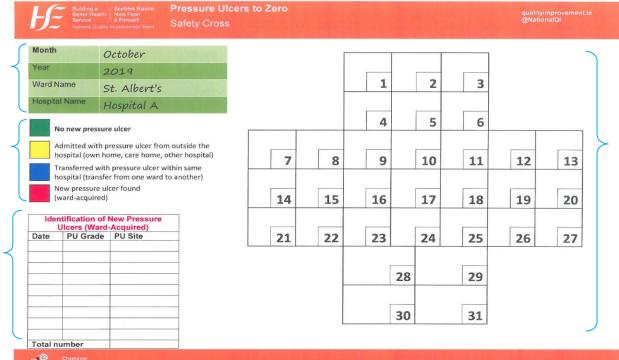


What does a Safety Cross look like?

Month and Ward details

Legend

Record details of New Unit Acquired Pressure Ulcers here



Record number of Pressure Ulcers each day here





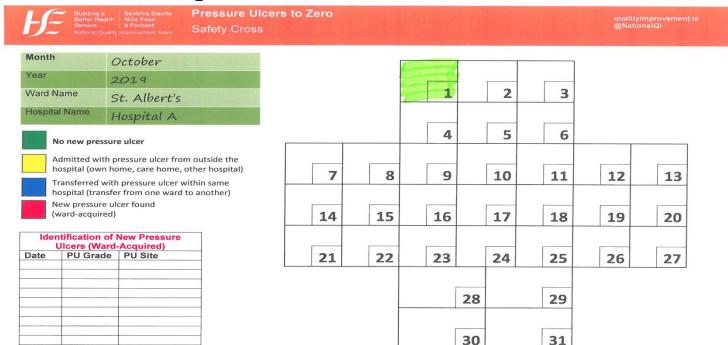
Tips on using the safety cross

- It is very important that everyone is counting the same thing – is everyone aware of the operational definition?
- Double check you are not collecting this data already / somewhere else
- It is a visual tool it helps to display the safety cross somewhere that everyone can see – it gets everyone curious about how the team are doing (not just the team)





Safety Cross – October 1st





Total number

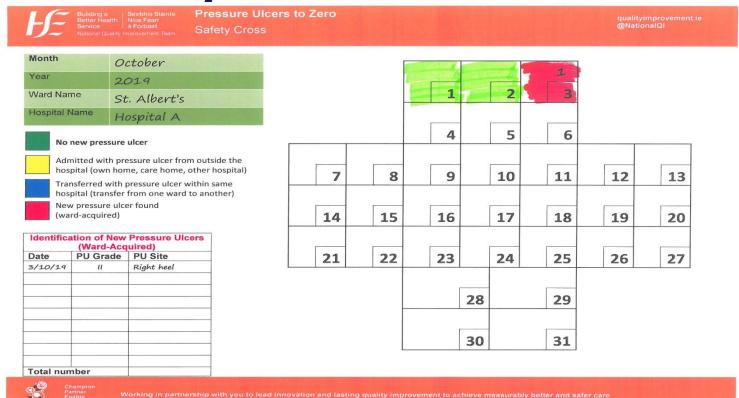
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Safety Cross – October 3rd







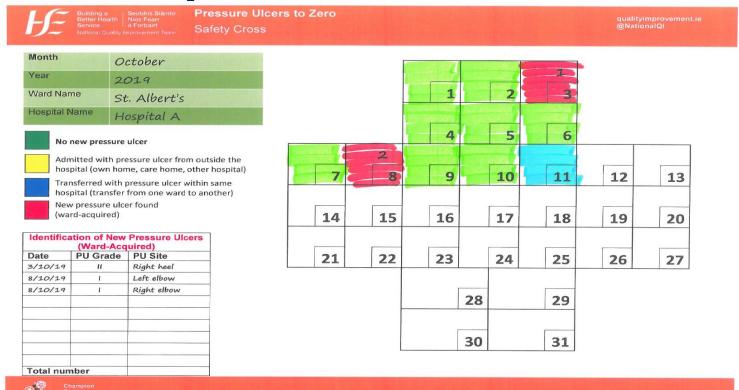
Safety Cross – October 8th







Safety Cross – October 11th







Safety Cross – October 24th





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Safety Cross - October 26th



Pressure Ulcers to Zero Safety Cross

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Month	October			
Year	2019			
Ward Name	St. Albert's			
Hospital Name	Hospital A			



No new pressure ulcer

Admitted with pressure ulcer from outside the hospital (own home, care home, other hospital)

Transferred with pressure ulcer within same hospital (transfer from one ward to another)

New pressure ulcer found (ward-acquired)

Date	PU Grade	PU Site			
3/10/19	11	Right heel			
8/10/19	1	Left elbow Right elbow			
8/10/19	I				
24/10/19	11	Left hip			
26/10/19	ı	Tail bone			

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Safety Cross – October 31st





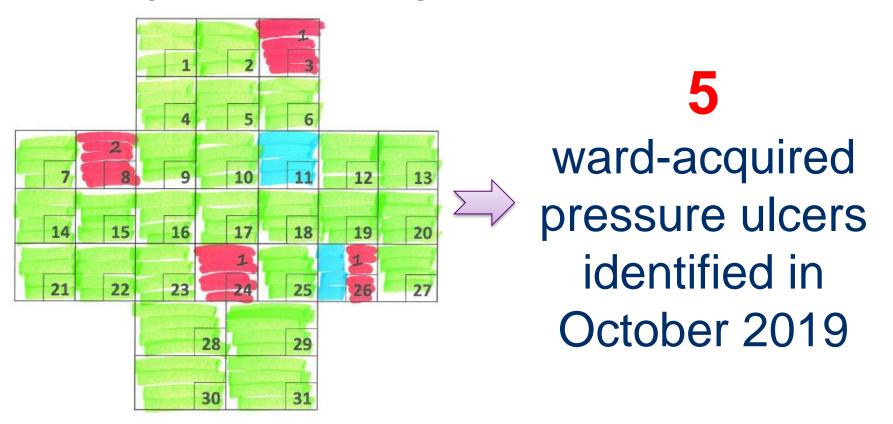
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Completed Safety Cross for October



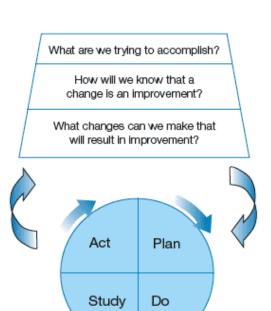




How do we present safety cross data?

- The tool that we will use to visualise safety cross data is the Run Chart
- The Run Chart looks at your safety cross data over time
- Change happens over time, so looking at your data over time helps answer the second question of the Model for Improvement:

"how will we know that a change is an improvement?"







And remember...

- Keep your data safe
- At the end of the month, it is worth scanning in the completed safety cross so you have an electronic copy
- You could also keep an excel file with the monthly data – this could be the same file you use for creating your Run Chart









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