

WEBINAR – National approach to in-hospital pressure injury measurement

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This webinar is a chance to hear from and ask questions of representatives from district health boards (DHBs) and the Health Quality & Safety Commission about their:

- approach to pressure injury measurement to date
- preparations for the forthcoming pressure injury quality and safety markers (QSMs).

The first quarterly data submission of the in-hospital pressure injury QSMs, covering 1 July–30 September 2018, is due into the Commission in October 2018. The Commission has been liaising with DHB directors of nursing and quality and risk managers about this since October 2017.

Please email any advance questions or comments to gabrielle.nicholson@hqsc.govt.nz.

For more information, and excellent background reading, visit:

- [the Commission's pressure injury prevention and measurement web page](#)
- [the pressure injury measurement how to guide](#)
- [the pressure injury measurement frequently asked questions resource.](#)

About the webinar panellists

Andrew Jull – Auckland DHB

Andrew is a registered nurse and clinical epidemiologist. He is a professor at the School of Nursing at the University of Auckland, and a nurse advisor quality and safety at Auckland DHB. Andrew has had a long involvement with patient safety initiatives at Auckland DHB, including in pressure injury prevention.

Auckland DHB implemented monthly random audits of hospital-acquired pressure injury prevalence in March 2012 as part of *First, Do No Harm* initiatives. The national approach to pressure injury measurement proposed by the Commission is modelled on the work done by *First, Do No Harm*.



Auckland DHB's improvement efforts have resulted in a significant sustained reduction in pressure injury prevalence from its baseline prevalence.

Julie Betts - Waikato DHB

Julie Betts is a nurse practitioner working at Waikato DHB. The focus of her role is the management of patients with chronic or complex wounds, both in delivering direct patient care and service development that supports best practice and improves patient outcomes.

In 2014, Waikato DHB implemented a pilot project to reduce hospital-acquired pressure injuries as a result of three adverse events, Heath Roundtable data and pressure injury prevention audit data. Monthly random audits of hospital-acquired pressure injury prevalence was an important part of the project to help monitor and drive improvement. The project has resulted in a sustained reduction in pressure injury prevalence.

Waikato's experience has been summarised in the publication *Guiding principles for pressure injury prevention and management in New Zealand 2017*. The webinar will expand on this.



Kim Caffell - Southern DHB

Kim works in the quality and risk team at Southern DHB. The key focus of her role is patient safety, linking to the Commission's patient safety programmes, including pressure injuries. With a background in medical and emergency nursing, including nursing leadership roles, her passion has always been 'focusing on how we can improve what we do to make it a safer place for our patients, their families/whānau and our staff'.

Southern DHB welcomed the opportunity to be involved in the national pressure injury measurement pilot. It has made significant gains, using a structured approach, with support from the Commission and ACC.

Southern's experience has been summarised in the publication *Guiding principles for pressure injury prevention and management in New Zealand 2017*. The webinar will expand on this.



Carmela Petagna - Health Quality & Safety Commission

Carmela Petagna is a senior portfolio manager at the Commission and has been with the organisation for seven years.

She is responsible for leading and managing a number of national quality improvement programmes, each at varying stages of development and implementation. Programmes include pressure injuries, medication safety and emerging work in the primary care and aged residential care sectors.

Carmela has managed the Commission's pressure injuries programme since it began in 2014.

She works across the health and disability sector to build strong collaborative relationships and connections with:

- public and private service providers
- clinical leaders
- health professionals from diverse sectors and backgrounds.

She ensures the Commission's programme teams partner with stakeholders so projects are well integrated and can demonstrate improved patient care and outcomes.

