

## **Braden Scale Standard Care Plan**

- Care plan is completed every time Braden Scale is completed
- Check only the interventions relevant based on Braden score and date and initial after
- Transcribe interventions to Kardex
- Highlight interventions no longer applicable
- New Care Plan form may be completed at discretion of nurse
- To be completed in ink

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Sensory Perception	Completely limited  ☐ Skin & heel assessment & documentation daily ☐ Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot ☐ Select appropriate support surface ☐ Use pillows between knees and bony prominences to avoid direct contact	Very limited  ☐ Skin & heel assessment & documentation daily ☐ Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot ☐ Consider appropriate support surface	Slightly limited  ☐ Skin & heel assessment & documentation daily ☐ Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot	No limitation  ☐ Encourage patient to report pain over bony prominences  ☐ Check heels daily
Moisture	Constantly Moist  Skin assessment, inspection & documentation daily  Use moisture barrier products  Moisturize dry unbroken skin  Apply condom catheter if appropriate  If incontinent, consider bladder/ bowel training and toileting after meals  Consider use of urinary catheter or stool management system	Moist  Skin assessment & documentation daily  Use moisture barrier products  Moisturize dry unbroken skin  If incontinent, consider bladder/ bowel training and toileting after meals  Consider use of urinary catheter or stool management system	Occasionally Moist  Skin assessment & documentation daily  Use moisture barrier products  Moisturize dry unbroken skin  Avoid use of incontinence products but if necessary, check q 2-3h and prn  Encourage patient to report any other moisture problem (such as under skin	Rarely Moist  Encourage patient to moisturize to prevent dry skin  Encourage patient to report any moisture problem (such as under skin folds)
Activity	Select appropriate support surface  Bedfast	Consider appropriate support surface  Chairfast	folds) Walks Occasionally	Walks Frequently
Activity	Skin & heel assessment & documentation daily  Post turning schedule  Elevate head bed no more than 30 degrees  Lateral turns at no more than 30 degrees  Position with pillows to elevate pressure points off of the bed  Select appropriate support surface  Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot  OT consult for seating assessment  Turn/reposition q 1-2h  Post turning schedule  Teach or assist client to do freq small shifts	Skin & heel assessment & documentation daily  Consider specialty seating surface Instruct patient to reposition q 15 minutes when in chair  If unable to reposition self, reposition hourly  Assist to stand every hour Protect bony prominences Consult OT for seating assessment	Provide structured mobility plan (e.g. walk length of hall two times per day)  Consider specialty seating surface  Consider consult OT/PT  Stand hourly if able  Check skin daily	Encourage ambulating outside the room at least two times per day  Check skin daily



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Category Mobility	Completely Immobile  Skin assessment & documentation daily  Turn/reposition q 1-2 hours  Post turning schedule  Select and provide appropriate support surface  Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot	Very Limited  ☐ Skin assessment & documentation daily ☐ Turn/reposition 1-2 hours ☐ Elevate head of bed no more than 30° ☐ Lateral position 30° or less ☐ Post turning schedule ☐ Teach or do frequent small shifts ☐ Select and provide support surface ☐ Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot	Slightly Limited  ☐ Skin assessment & documentation daily  ☐ Turn/reposition frequently  ☐ Teach or do freq small shifts of body weight  ☐ Consider PT consult  ☐ Consult OT for assistive devices/mobility aids  ☐ Provided assistive devices/mobility aids	No Limitations  Encourage ambulating outside the room at least two times per day  ———
Nutrition	Very Poor	Probably Inadequate  Skin assessment and documentation daily  Monitor & record nutritional intake  Dietitian consult  Offer nutrition supplements  Offer fluids as appropriate  Consider discussion with family re: client food preferences  Small frequent meals  Record Intake & Output  If wounded, consult dietitian	Adequate  ☐ Monitor nutritional & dietary intake ☐ If wounded, consult dietitian	Excellent  Out of bed for all meals  If wounded, consult dietitian
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Friction and Shear	Problem  Skin assessment and documentation daily  Avoid massaging over reddened areas  Use slider/other assistive devices to reposition in bed/chair  Keep bed linens dry, and wrinkle free  Apply elbow/heel protectors to intact skin over elbows and heels  No soakers  Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot  Ensure proper chair positioning with feet flat and 90° at ankle, knee and hips  Consult OT  Elevate head of bed 30° or less  Lateral position at no more than 30°	Potential Problem  Skin assessment and documentation daily  Keep bed linens dry and wrinkle free Use slider/other assistive devices to reposition in bed/chair Avoid massaging over areas Apply elbow/heel protectors to intact skin over elbows and heels No soakers Elevate heels and/or use heel elevation or friction reduction boot Ensure proper chair positioning with feet flat and 90° at ankle, knee and hips Consider consult OT Elevate head of bed 30° or less Lateral position at no more than 30°	No apparent problem  ☐ Keep bed linens dry, and wrinkle free  ———	

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