

NORTON PLUS PRESSURE ULCER SCALE

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RISK KEY: 11-15 = MODERATE RISK 10 and below = HIGH RISK					ASSESSMENT DATES							
RISK FACTOR	SCORE / DESCRIPTION				1	2	3	4	5	6		
PHYSICAL CONDITION	4 = Good	3 = Fair	2 = Poor	1 = Bad								
MENTAL STATE	4 = Alert	3 = Apathetic	2 = Confused	1 = Stupor								
ACTIVITY	4 = Ambulant	3 = Walks with Help	2 = Chair Bound	1 = Bedrest								
MOBILITY	4 = Full	3 = Slightly Limited	2 = Very Limited	1 = Immobile								
INCONTINENCE	4 = Not	3 = Occasional	2 = Usually Urine	1 = Double Incontinence								
TOTAL NORTON SCALE												
NORTON PLUS DEDUCTIONS (Check only if YES)												
1	Diagnosis of Diabetes											
2	Diagnosis of Hypertension											
3	Hematocrit - Male < 41% Female < 36%											
4	Hemoglobin - Male < 14g/dl Female < 12g/dl											
5	Albumin level - < 3.3g/dl											
6	Febrile - > 99.6°F											
7	5 (or more) Medications											
8	Changes in mental status to confused, lethargic within 24 hours.											
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHECK MARKS												
NORTON SCALE SCORE (From Above)												
MINUS TOTAL CHECK MARKS												
TOTAL NORTON PLUS SCORE <i>(SCORE 10 OR LESS = HIGH RISK)</i>												
1	Evaluator Signature/Title		Date		4	Evaluator Signature/Title		Date				
2	Evaluator Signature/Title		Date		5	Evaluator Signature/Title		Date				
3	Evaluator Signature/Title		Date		6	Evaluator Signature/Title		Date				

Resident Name	Med Record #	Room #	Physician
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SOURCE: Doreen Norton, Rhoda McLaren and AN Exton-Smith, *An Investigation of Geriatric Nursing Problems in Hospital*, National Corporation for the Care of Old People (now Centre for Policy on Ageing), London 1962.