Pressure Injury Staging is as Easy as Apple P.I.E.

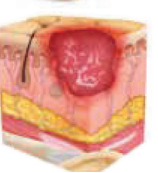
Follow this **P**ressure **I**njury **E**xplanation guide to see how the state of an apple compares to the stage of a pressure injury.

Stage 1

Intact skin with a localized area non-blanchable erythema, which may appear differently in darkly pigmented skin.

Stage 2

Partial-thickness loss of skin with exposed dermis. The wound bed is viable, pink or red, moist, and may also present as an intact or ruptured serum-filled blister.

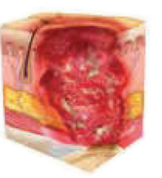


Stage 3

Full-thickness loss of skin, in which adipose (fat) is visible in the ulcer and granulation tissue and epibole (rolled wound edges)are present.

Stage 4

Full-thickness skin and tissue loss with directly palpable fascia, muscle, tendon, ligament, cartilage, or bone in the ulcer.



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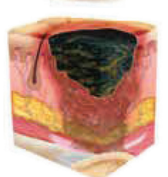

Deep Tissue Pressure Injury (DTPI)

Intact or non-intact skin with localized area of persistent non-blanchable deep red, maroon, purple discoloration or epidermal separation revealing a dark wound bed or blood-filled blister.

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