

Conference report Irena Pukiova

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I have been working as a senior critical care nurse and tissue viability nurse for critical care unit since 2007 until 2021.

My responsibility is to ensure that all patients are receiving harm free, up to date care in the field of skin integrity and wound care.

Hospital where I work is a major trauma centre and therefore Adult intensive care unit is a common destination for complex critically unwell trauma patients. The current project I am part of as a senior nurse is to create a comprehensive guide for bed side nurses on how to prepare for, care for and document the management of patients with a potential or confirmed spinal injury. This guideline will explore local policies and procedures in ensuring the right equipment and techniques are used, in addition to answering common questions and concerns regarding neurotrauma care. The project will be divided into 4 categories as detailed in aims.

Being able to attend Major Trauma & Brain Injury: From assessment to treatment conference was a great opportunity to gain valuable knowledge and to network with other colleagues from around the Europe. The conference was over three days covered many interesting topics and practical management guides. Very nice presentation was given by Dapaioannou My trauma patient in the ICU. It was clear to me that trauma patients with inadequate tissue perfusion and increased serum lactate will be more prone to developing of pressure ulceration and there is a need to design a protocol for skin protection for trauma patients considering potential spinal injuries and priority of actions taken during admission to hospital. Magira presented trauma-related infections: risk and types. This was another interesting presentation looking at types of infections related to fractures and tissue injuries.



