

# Nutrition Solutions: Fuel to Heal

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# Objectives

1.

- Examine the role of malnutrition in pressure injury prevention and healing

2.

- Discuss the evidence based nutrition recommendations and practical interventions for pressure injury healing

3.

- Implement nutrition quality measures addressing the IMPACT ACT's skin integrity Quality Measure Domain

# Impact Act

Oct. 2017  
(FY 2017)

Confidential feedback  
provided on previous  
year's report

Oct. 2017  
(FY 2019)

Standard  
assessment  
date required

Public quality  
data available  
Penalties for  
not reporting

Oct. 2021  
(FY 2022)

CMS & MedPac  
reports on PAC  
prospective  
payment

Study on  
hospital data

# Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation Act of 2014 (IMPACT)

- **Goal:** reform post acute care (PAC) payments & reimbursement while ensuring continued beneficiary access to the most appropriate setting of care
- **Measure Domain:** skin integrity & changes in skin integrity
- **Outcome Measure:** Percent of residents or patients with pressure ulcers that are new or worsened( short stay).
- **Replaced** with Changes in Skin integrity Post-Acute Care: Pressure Ulcer/Injury
- **Post Acute Care** setting adopted
  - Inpatient rehabilitation facility
    - Long-term Care Hospital
    - Skilled Nursing Facility
    - Home Health Agency

# CMS Quality Strategy framed with aims of National Quality Strategy

- **Better Care:** Improve QOC making it patient-centered, reliable, accessible, and safe.
- **Healthy People, Healthy Communities:** Improve health of US, support proven interventions addressing behavioral, social, & environmental determinants of health.
- **Affordable Care:** Reduce cost of quality healthcare for individuals, families, employers, and government.

# Rationale for Pressure Injury Quality Measure

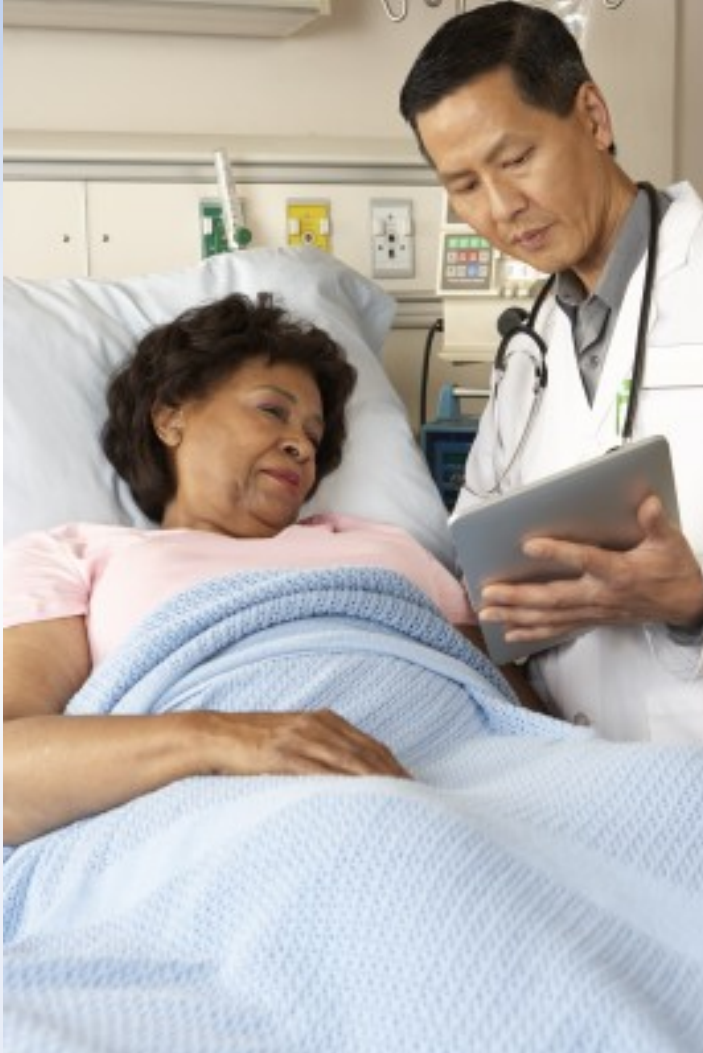
- Linked to malnutrition
- Nutrition interventions should be part of prevention & healing strategy for QMD
- Increases mortality in elderly, 70% of PI occur in adults > 70
- Longer hospital stays  
↑ cost of care
- Causes discomfort & pain
- Can lead to septicemia & osteomyelitis
- PI are a high cost, adverse condition across all settings
- Burden of litigation associated with pressure injuries

# CMS Inaugural Release Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>

- Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Quality Reporting Program (QRP) Measure Name and Description
- National Rate of Quality Measure Performance
- Minimum Data Set (MDS)-based Measures
- *Percent of Residents or Patients in a SNF that develop new or worsened pressure ulcers (National Quality Forum #0678)*
- Percent of patients that developed new or worsening pressure ulcers during their stay in an SNF=1.7%

<https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/skilled-nursing-facility-snf-quality-reporting-program-qrp-data-nursing-home-compare>

# Malnutrition



- **Increases morbidity and mortality.**
- **Decreases function and quality of life.**
- **Increases frequency and length of hospital stay.**
- **Increases health care costs.**

White, 2012 J Acad Nutr Diet. 2012  
112(5): 730-738.



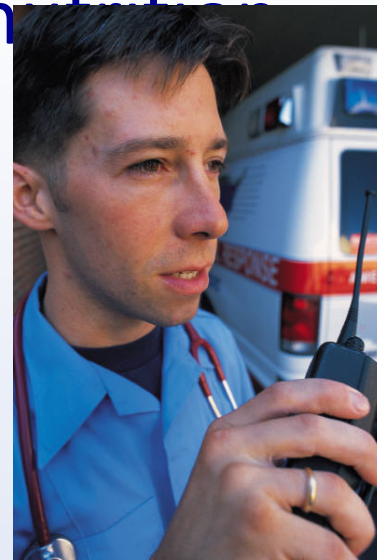
# Malnutrition: problem across all settings



- Acute Care-20-50%
- LTC-20% have some form prevalence range 1.5-66.5%
- Outpatient/home care 13-30% malnourished
- Risk is higher in older adults who also have more PIs

# AHRQ Report

- Protein calorie malnutrition most common (PCM)
- 2013- 1.95 million hospital stays r/t malnutrition
- 63.9% categorized as PCM
- 21.6% malnourished due to weight loss or failure to thrive
- Cost per per readmission \$16,900/PCM: 34% higher cost than readmission w/o malnutrition



# Inflammation and Malnutrition

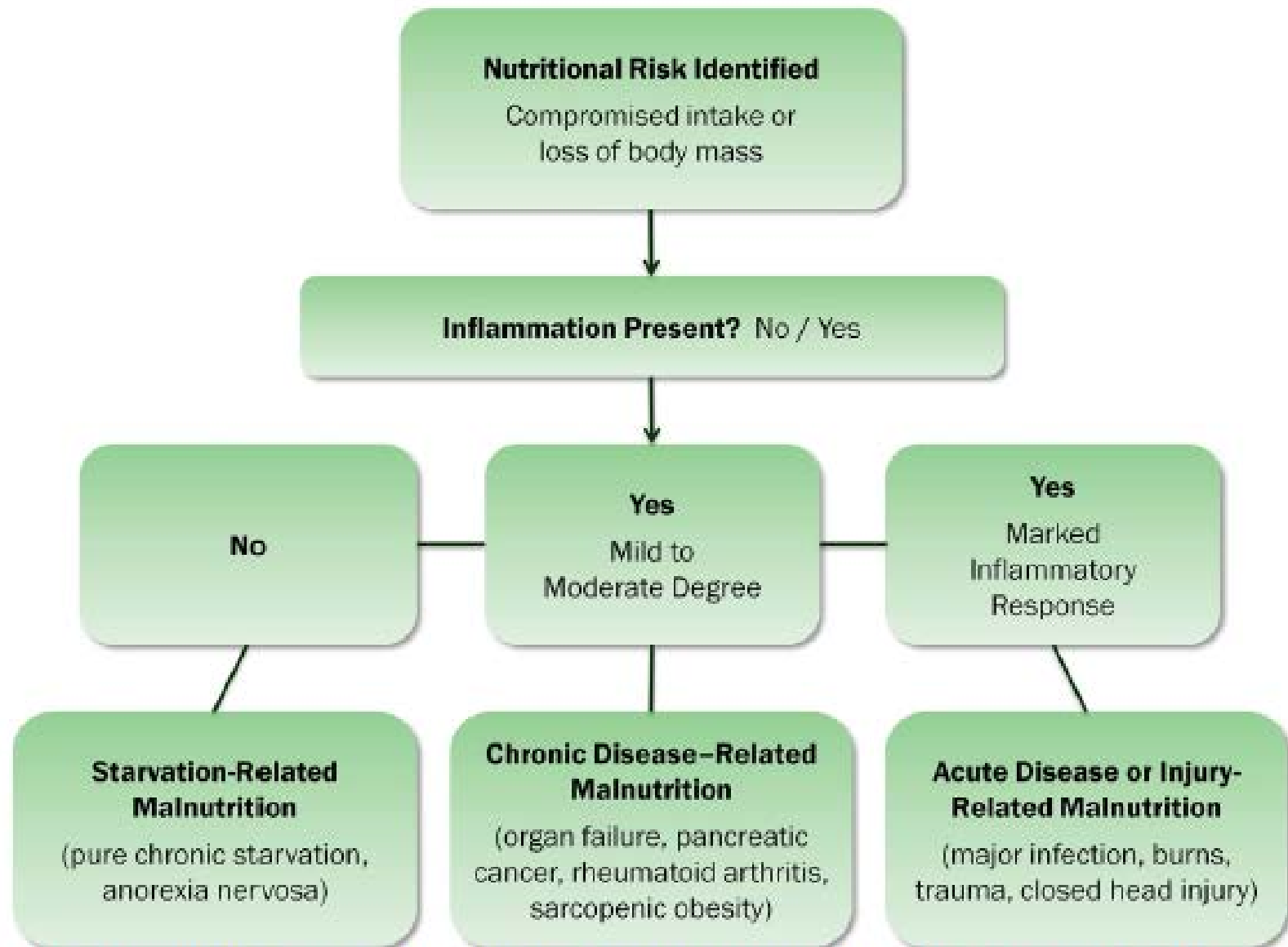
Inflammation (d/t infection, injury, surgery, etc.): an important underlying factor that increases risk for malnutrition.

May contribute to suboptimal response to nutrition intervention and increased risk of mortality

White J, *J Acad Nutr Diet*  
2012;112:730-730



# Etiology-Based Malnutrition Definitions



**Figure.** Etiology-Based Malnutrition Definitions. Adapted with permission from reference (8): Jensen GL, Bistrain B, Roubenoff R, Heimburger DC. Malnutrition syndromes: A conundrum vs. continuum. *JPEN J Parenter Enteral Nutr.* 2009;33(6):710-716.

# Diagnosing Malnutrition

Identification of  $\geq 2$  of the following characteristics:

1. Insufficient energy intake
2. Weight loss
3. Loss of muscle mass
4. Loss of subcutaneous fat
5. Localized or generalized fluid accumulation that may sometimes mask weight loss
6. Diminished functional status as measured by hand grip strength (strong research; cost effective)

White J, *J Acad Nutr Diet* 2012;112:730-730

# Case Study: Acute Injury-Related Malnutrition

## Prior to Hospitalization

- 45 year old w/o history of malnutrition
- Weight 170#
- Admitted for major surgery

## 5 Days Post-Surgery

- Remains NPO > 5 days with IV for hydration
- Current weight 152# (↓ 10%)
- Develops a stage 4 pressure injury on coccyx

# Case Study: Chronic Disease Related Malnutrition

## Prior LTC Admission

- 88 year old/severe arthritis
- 110# admission weight
- Admitted due to functional decline, sits in W/C most of the day
- Difficulty preparing meals
- Appetite is fair

## 30 Days Post Admission

- Increased difficulty with ADLs (including eating)
- 6% weight decline in 30 days
- Consumes < 75 % of meals
- Developed Stage 2 pressure injury



# What about Labs?

No lab test can specifically determine an individual's nutritional status.

- Serum protein levels may be affected by metabolic stress, inflammation, renal function, hydration and other factors.





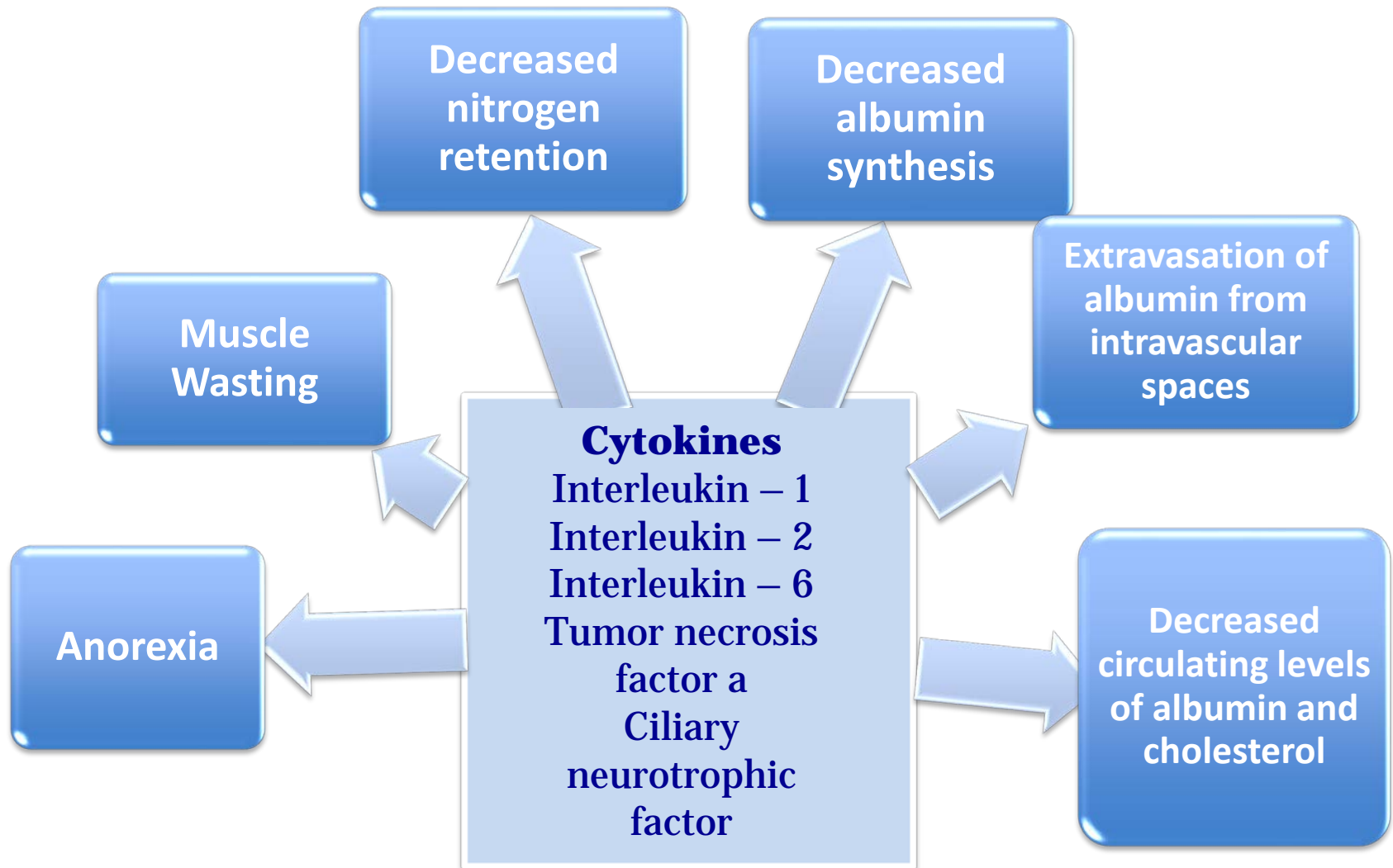
# What about labs to diagnose malnutrition?

- Not recommending any specific Inflammatory markers for diagnosing malnutrition at this time
- Inflammatory biomarkers C-reactive protein and other acute phase reactants were excluded due to no conclusive relationship to nutritional status



# Inflammation and Stress →

## Release of Cytokines



# Malnutrition and Pressure Injuries

Fry

- Pre-existing malnutrition/weight loss increased the odds of developing a PU 3.8 times. (2010)

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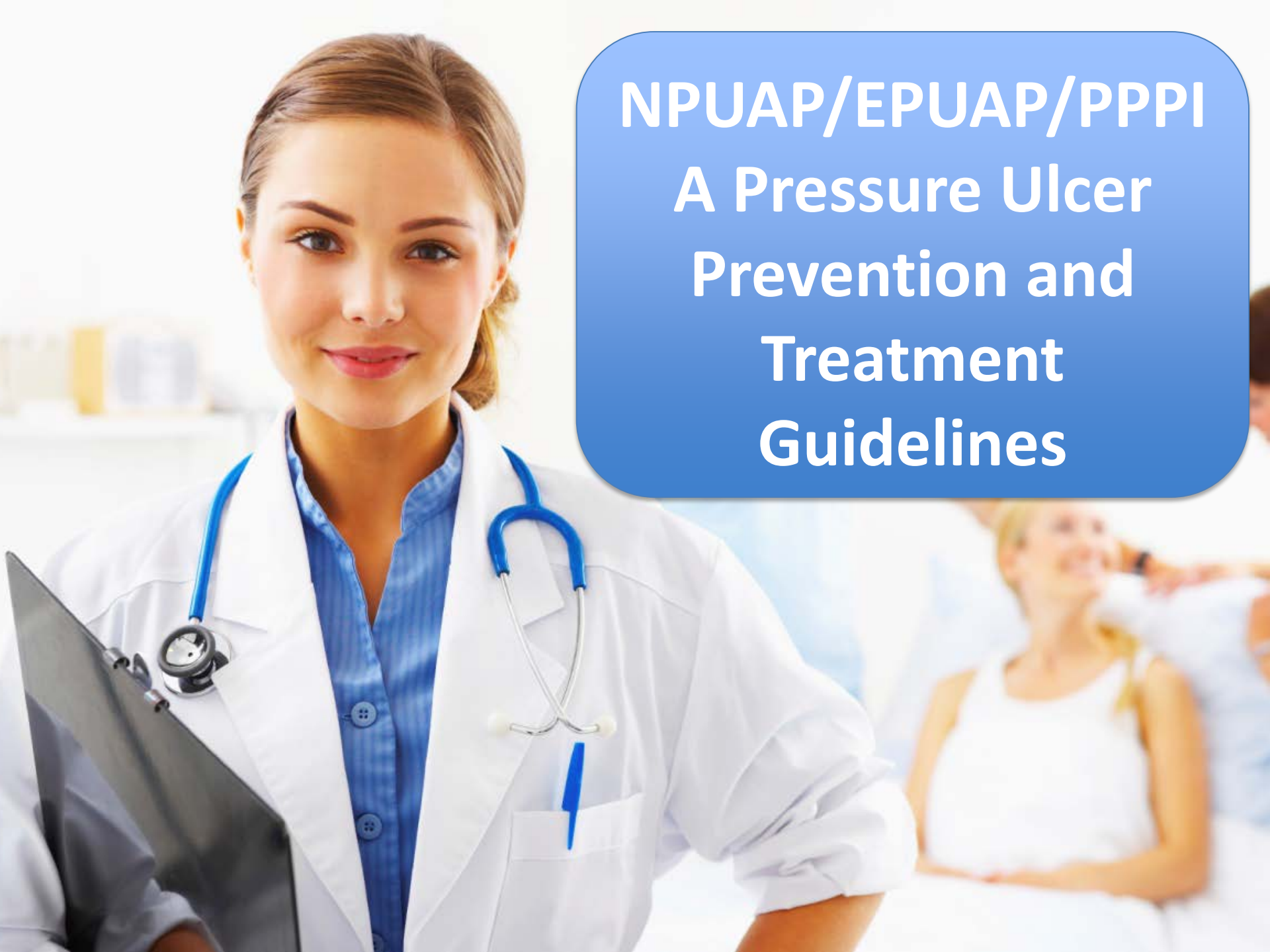
- Australia, odds ratio of having a pressure ulcer are higher with malnutrition in acute and LTC. (2010)

Iizaka

- Home care study in Japan:  $\geq 65$ , rate of malnutrition 58.7% with pressure ulcers compared to 32.6% without them. (2010)

Rasero

- Acute care, LTC & home care study of older adults, 88% at PI risk had inadequate nutrition. (2013)



**NPUAP/EPUAP/PPPI  
A Pressure Ulcer  
Prevention and  
Treatment  
Guidelines**

# Nutrition Screening, Assessment, and Care Planning



# Individualized Nutrition Care

- Individualized care plan should focus on:
  - improving and/or maintaining overall nutritional status
  - acceptance of nutrition interventions
  - clinical outcomes



# Nutrition Screening

Screen nutritional status for each individual at risk of or with a pressure ulcer

Use a valid and reliable nutrition screening tool to determine nutritional risk.

Refer individuals screened to be at risk of malnutrition and individuals with an existing pressure ulcer to a registered dietitian or an interprofessional nutrition team for a comprehensive nutrition assessment.



# Validated Screening Tools

MST

Malnutrition  
Valid and reliable for use in **acute care and ambulatory care** to identify malnutrition

(Ferguson, M et al. 1999)

MNA

Mini-Nutritional Assessment

Validated in *individuals/ Pus*

*Langkamp-Henken et al.( 2005)*

Validated and easy to use in older adults

(Paudlia 2012)

MUST

Malnutrition Universal Screening Tool

To identify risk of undernutrition (Poullia et al.2012)

Validated for use in **older adults admitted to acute care**

SNAQ

Short Nutrition Assessment Questionnaire

Acute care, residential care and community adults .

Neelemant et al.(2008)



# Mini Nutritional Assessment®

MNA®

Validated and easy  
to use in geriatric patients

Acute care, hospital based  
ambulatory care, LTC

<http://www.mna-elderly.com>



## Mini Nutritional Assessment MNA®

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight, kg: \_\_\_\_\_ Height, cm: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the screen by filling in the boxes with the appropriate numbers. Total the numbers for the final screening score.

### Screening

A Has food intake declined over the past 3 months due to loss of appetite, digestive problems, chewing or swallowing difficulties?

- 0 = severe decrease in food intake
- 1 = moderate decrease in food intake
- 2 = no decrease in food intake

B Weight loss during the last 3 months

- 0 = weight loss greater than 3 kg (6.6 lbs)
- 1 = does not know
- 2 = weight loss between 1 and 3 kg (2.2 and 6.6 lbs)
- 3 = no weight loss

C Mobility

- 0 = bed or chair bound
- 1 = able to get out of bed / chair but does not go out
- 2 = goes out

D Has suffered psychological stress or acute disease in the past 3 months?

- 0 = yes
- 2 = no

E Neuropsychological problems

- 0 = severe dementia or depression
- 1 = mild dementia
- 2 = no psychological problems

F1 Body Mass Index (BMI) (weight in kg) / (height in m)<sup>2</sup>

- 0 = BMI less than 19
- 1 = BMI 19 to less than 21
- 2 = BMI 21 to less than 23
- 3 = BMI 23 or greater

IF BMI IS NOT AVAILABLE, REPLACE QUESTION F1 WITH QUESTION F2.  
DO NOT ANSWER QUESTION F2 IF QUESTION F1 IS ALREADY COMPLETED.

F2 calf circumference (CC) in cm

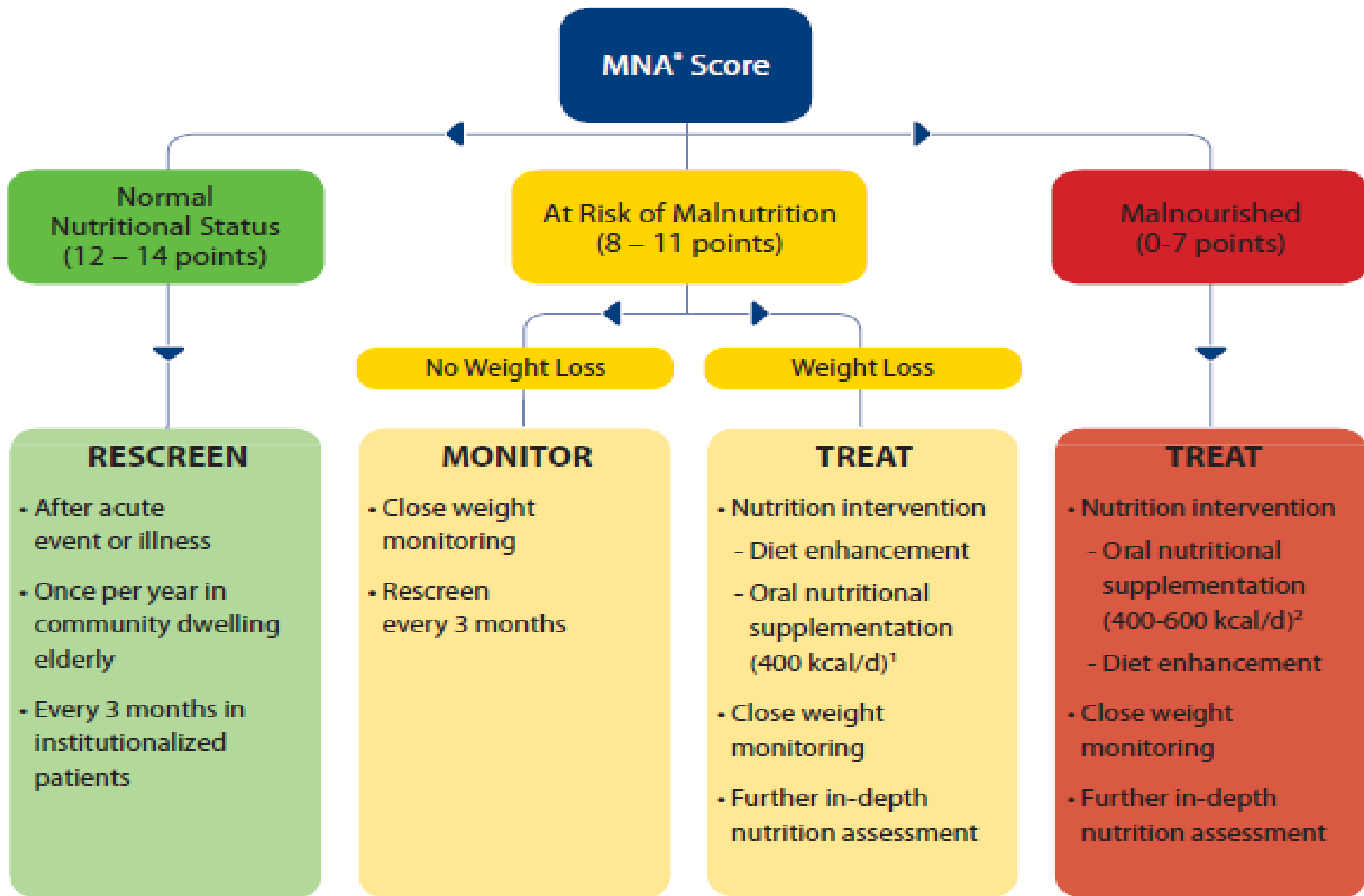
- 0 = CC less than 31
- 3 = CC 31 or greater

Screening score  
(max. 14 points)

12-14 points: Normal nutritional status  
8-11 points: At risk of malnutrition  
0-7 points: Malnourished

Ref: Vellas B, Villars H, Abellan G, et al. Overview of the MNA® - Its History and Challenges. J Nutr Health Aging 2008; 12:458-465.  
Rubenstein L, Harker JO, Sivila A, Guigoz Y, Vellas B. Screening for Undernutrition in Geriatric Practice: Developing the Short-Form Mini Nutritional Assessment (MNA-SF). J Gerontol 2001;56A: 1066-1077.  
Guigoz Y. The Mini Nutritional Assessment (MNA)®: Review of the Literature - What does it tell us? J Nutr Health Aging 2006; 10:490-497.  
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# Recommendations for Intervention



# Braden Scale: Nutrition Subscores

<b>Sensory Perception</b>	1 Completely limited	2 Very limited	3 Slightly limited	4 No impairment
<b>Moisture</b>	1 Constantly moist	2 Very moist	3 Occasionally moist	4 No impairment
<b>Activity</b>	1 Bedfast	2 Chairfast	3 Slightly limited	4 No limitation
<b>Mobility</b>	1 Completely immobile	2 Very limited	3 Slightly limited	4 No limitation
<b>Nutrition</b>	1 <b>Very poor</b>	2 <b>Probably inadequate</b>	3 <b>Adequate</b>	4 <b>Excellent</b>
<b>Friction &amp; Shear</b>	1 Problem	2 Potential	3 No apparent	4 No apparent

**Refer to RDN**

**1 Very poor** **2 Probably inadequate** **3 Adequate** **4 Excellent**

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Barbara Braden and Nancy Bergstrom

## Braden Subscale Rating as Indicator of Dietary intake & Weight in Nursing Home Residents at Risk for PI

- Screened at admission and weekly
- Changes in wt. occurred in poor intake
- 690 residents: protein 25 very poor, 214 probably adequate
- Meal intake 49.6= very poor, 65.11 probably adequate
- Braden subscale can be used as preliminary screening tool
- Offers clues for intake-protein, calories etc.

# Nutrition Assessment

## Medical Hx, Physical Exam

Diagnosis/  
recent changes  
in condition  
(depression)  
Medications  
Risk or S/S of  
malnutrition,  
dehydration

## Diet History, Food Intake

Adequacy of  
food/fluid  
intake  
compared to  
needs  
Chewing,  
swallowing, self  
feeding, GI  
issues

## Body Composition

Height, weight,  
wt. history,  
UWL ( $\geq 5\%$  in  
30 days or  
 $\geq 10\%$  in 180  
days), BMI  $\leq 19$   
Insidious  
weight loss

# Nutrition Assessment

## Current Interventions

Food or dining related interventions  
Oral nutrition supplements  
Nutrition support

## Interviews

with resident, family and/or staff  
Acceptance to interventions  
Compare goals to outcomes

## Nutrition Focused Physical Examination

Overall appearance/  
indicators of PEM  
Oral examination  
Skin examination

# Legs thin & frail vs. edematous



# Orbital Area

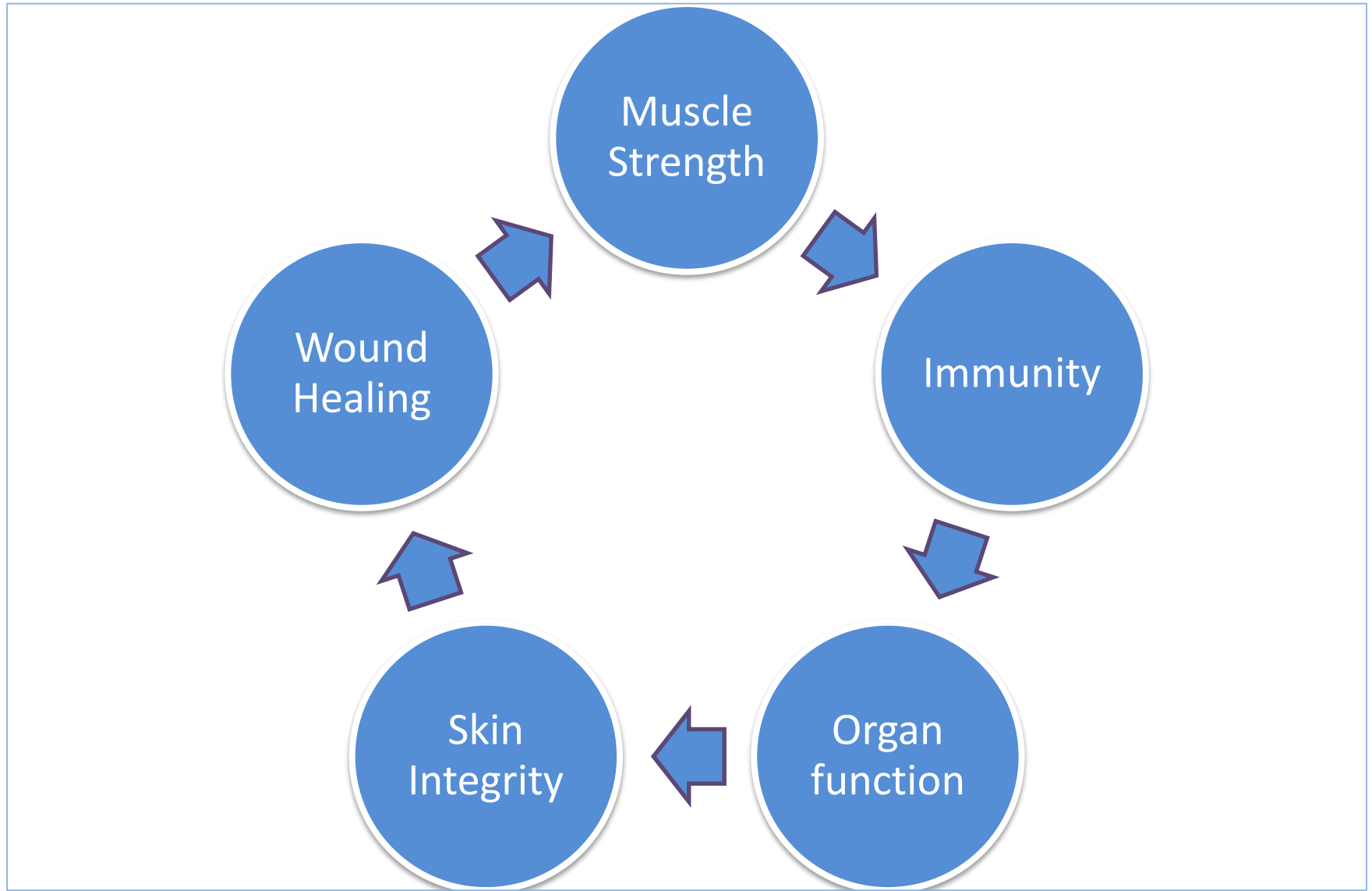




# Healthy Hands vs. Frail



# Lean Body Mass is Essential for:



# Loss of Lean Body Mass Counts



Loss of LBM	Complications	Associated Mortality
10%	↓immunity, ↑ infections	10%
20%	↓ healing, weakness, infection	30%
30%	too weak to sit, pressure ulcers, pneumonia, no healing	50%
40%	<b>DEATH,</b> usually from pneumonia	100%

# Nutrition Assessment

**1. Assess weight status for each individual to determine weight history and significant weight loss from usual body weight ( $\geq 5\%$  change in 30 days or  $\geq 10\%$  in 180 days).**

**2. Assess the individual's ability to eat independently.**

**3. Assess the adequacy of total nutrient intake (food, fluid, oral supplements, enteral/parenteral feedings).**

# Dietary Intake

- Depression affects appetite of 30% of adult outpatients.
- Loss of appetite related to high risk of malnutrition.
- Increases risk of poor wound healing.
- Decreased ability to eat independently.
- **↑** Risk for undernutrition and delayed healing.



Horn 2004; Gilmore 1995

# General Recommendations: Nutrition Interventions for Pressure Injuries





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# What Does the Evidence Suggest?

## Energy Intake

**Responsive increase in metabolic rate which increases caloric needs**  
(triggered by PrU, infection, severe illness, trauma, etc.)



Calories support:  
angionenesis,  
collagen synthesis,  
prevents protein used as energy source



**Carbohydrate provides glucose to support normal cellular activity, protein synthesis, secretion of hormones and growth factors**



# Fats

- Dense source of calories
  - Essential component of cell membranes
  - Essential fatty acids deficit: Interferes with body's ability to have normal immune response, may reduce inflammation
- Linoleic: omega 6  
sources: nuts, seeds, veg. oils corn, soybean, safflower
- Linolenic: omega 3  
sources: canola, soybean, flaxseed, fatty fish, nuts, seeds

# Energy Intake

- Provide individualized energy intake based on underlying medical condition and level of activity.
- Provide 30 to 35 kcalories/kg body weight for adults with a pressure ulcer and malnourished
- Adjust energy intake based on weight change or level of obesity.





# Obesity and Pressure Injuries

# Obese Individuals

- There are no evidence based guidelines available related to the nutritional needs of the obese person with pressure injuries
- Adequate calories, protein, fluids and nutrients are needed for healing
  - General consensus is that diets should be liberalized to promote healing
  - Once the PI is completely healed, diet restrictions may be gradually implemented as needed
- Monitor skin integrity and coordinate with RDN (ongoing)

# Weigh Risk vs. Benefits of Weight Reduction for Adults with Pressure Injuries



# Energy Intake

- Revise and modify/liberalize dietary restrictions when limitations result in decreased food and fluid intake.
- Offer fortified foods and/or high calorie, high protein oral nutritional supplements between meals if nutritional requirements cannot be achieved by dietary intake.



# What Does the Evidence Suggest for Optimal Protein

Increased protein linked to improved healing rates



## **Inadequate Protein:**

prolongs inflammatory state

inhibits antibody responses

↓ collagen synthesis & deposition

↓ cell multiplication

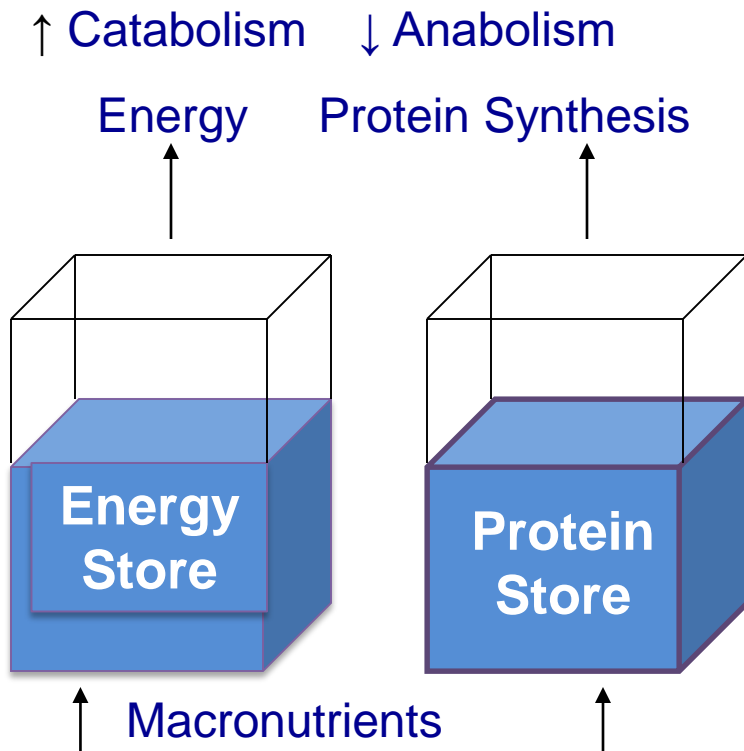
↓ wound contraction



# The Non-healing Chronic Wound

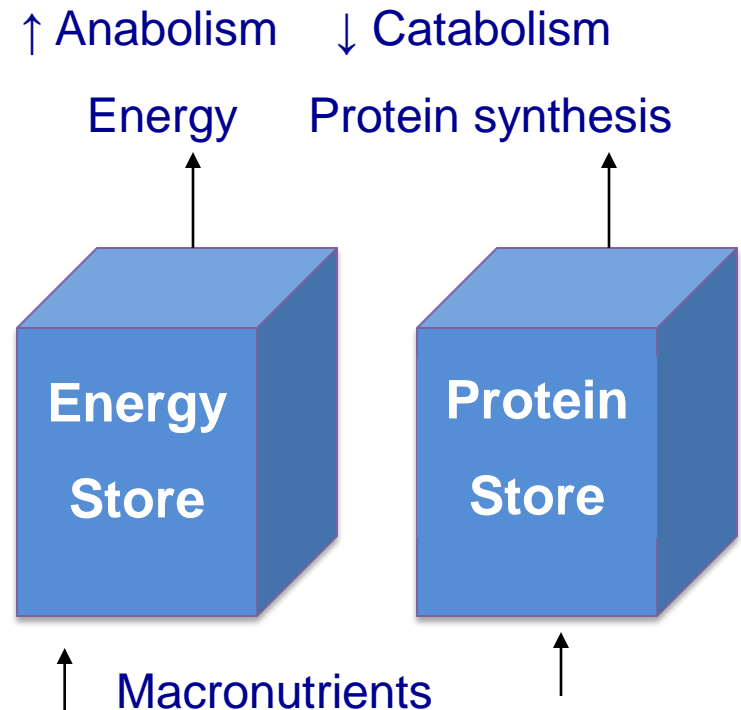
## Failure to Heal by 12 Weeks

### The Non-healing Wound



### The Healing Wound

Wound contraction



# Protein Intake

- Adequate protein for positive nitrogen balance
- Offer 1.25 to 1.5 grams protein/kg body weight daily for adults with an existing pressure ulcer when compatible with goals of care, and reassess as condition changes.
- Assess renal function to ensure that high levels of protein are appropriate for the individual.

# What Does the Evidence Suggest for Optimal Protein Intake for Older Adults



- Protein spread equally between breakfast lunch and dinner

*(Paddon-Jones 2009)*

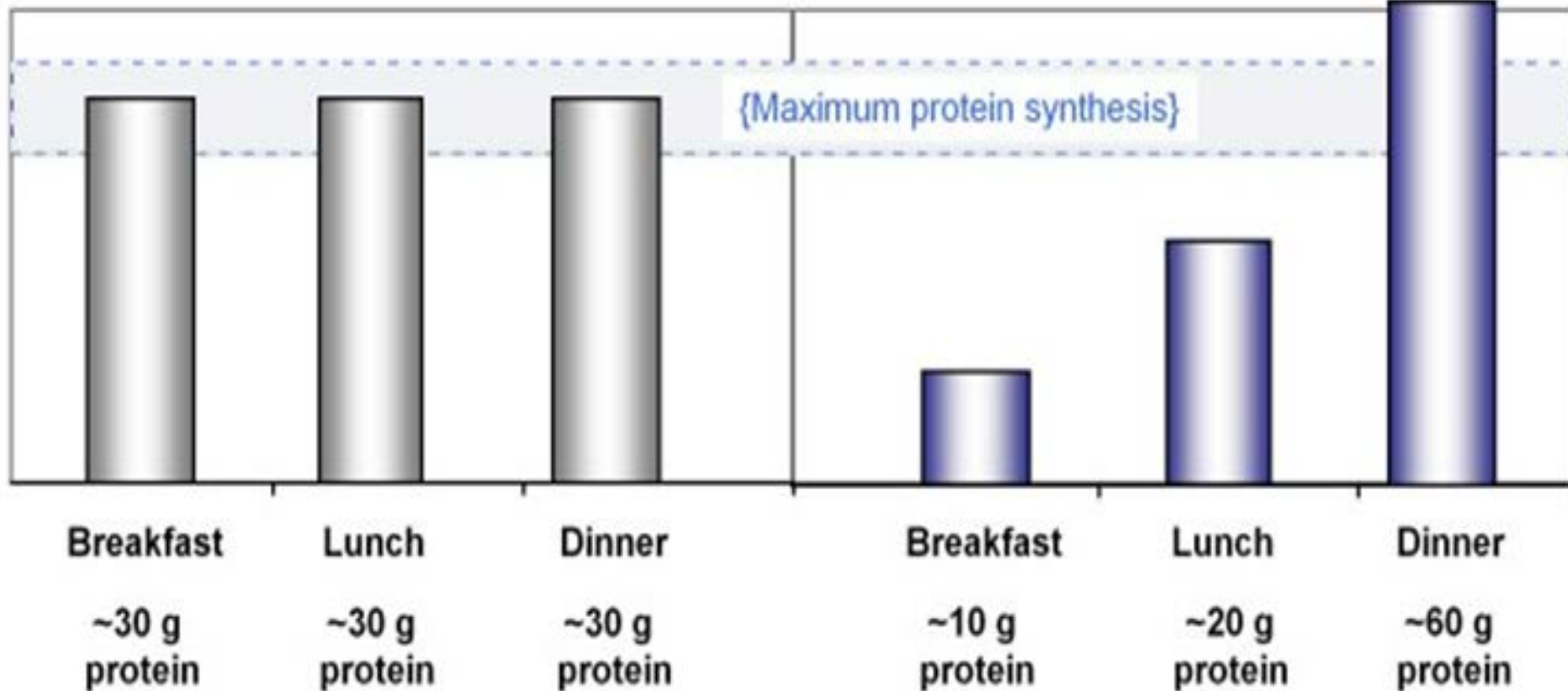
- If needed, additional protein supplementation should given between meals

*(Wilson MM 2002)*

# Protein Distribution

A. Optimal Protein Distribution

B. Skewed Protein Distribution



# Alternate Food Sources of Protein



Half sandwich  
8 oz. 2% milk  
320 cal  
18 gm pro

8 oz. Greek yogurt  
140 cal  
14 gms pro



High protein bar  
210 cal  
12 gm pro

# Protein Needs: 150#

Protein Values	Healthy: 0.8 gms/Kg (1.0 older adult)	Pressure Injury: 1.25-1.5 gms/Kg
	54.5 - 68 grams	85 – 102 grams (+30-47 g)
Food needed to achieve protein values	Breakfast: 1 egg, 8 oz milk (15) Lunch: 2oz meat, 4oz milk (18) Dinner: 3oz meat, 4oz milk (25)	Breakfast: 2 eggs, 8 oz milk (+7) Lunch: 2oz meat, 8oz milk (+4) Dinner: 3 oz meat, 8 oz milk (+4) Snack: 8 oz shake (+8) <b>102 Total</b>
	<b>Total</b> (+ starches, veg. 21= 79)	

*Can your patients eat all this food?*

# Protein Intake

Adults malnourished and/or with pressure injury

- Offer high calorie, high protein nutritional supplements in addition to the usual diet to adults if nutritional requirements cannot be achieved by dietary intake.
- Supplement with high protein, arginine and micronutrients for individuals with a pressure ulcer Category/Stage III or IV or multiple pressure ulcers when nutritional requirements cannot be met with traditional high calorie and protein supplements.



# CUBE Trial

A multi-country, randomized, placebo-controlled trial to demonstrate the efficacy of a specific 'arg+ONS-spec.') on pressure ulcer healing in non-malnourished patients with stage III-IV ulcers

Ready-to-drink, **high-protein, arginine enriched nutritional supplement**

Containing per 200-ml serving:

20 g protein

3 g L-arginine

250 kcal

Vitamins and micronutrients including:

250 mg vitamin C

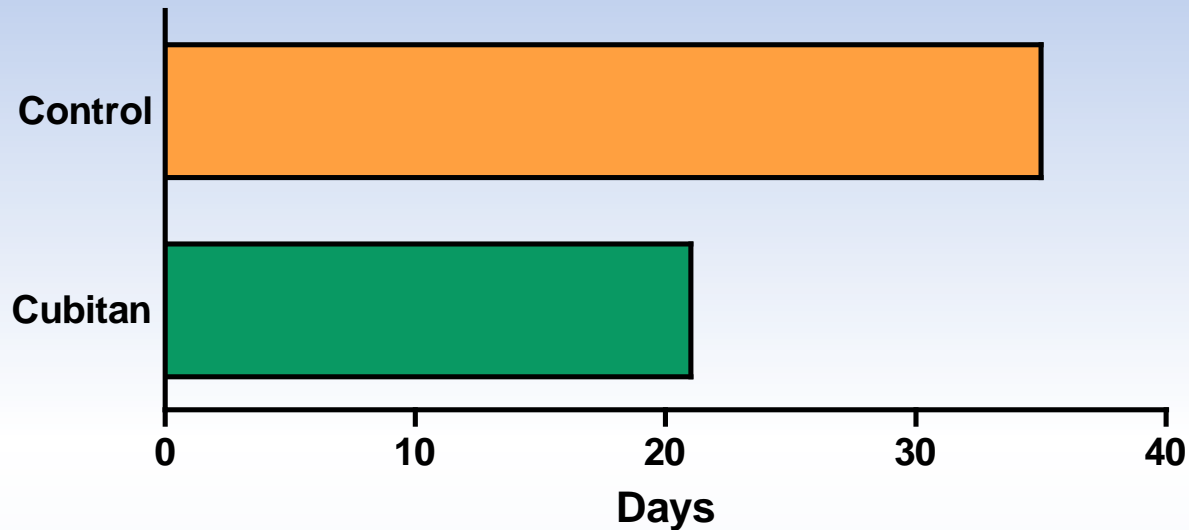
38 mg vitamin E ( $\alpha$ -TE)

9 mg zinc

1.5 mg carotenoids



# Earlier Reduction in Ulcer Size from Baseline



With specific oral nutritional support a significant reduction in ulcer size was reached 2 weeks earlier compared to the control group.

- First time-point with a significant reduction compared to baseline
- Arg+ONS-spec.= day 21, P=0.011
- Control group = day 35, P= 0.019
- Means  $\pm$  SEM; data adjusted for center

# Oligo Element Trial Study Group

- Multicenter, RCT to evaluate supplementation with arginine, zinc & antioxidants in high-calorie, high-protein formula to improve PrU healing
- 200 malnourished patients with stage II,III,and IV PrUs
- 8 week trial – LTC and home care in Italy
- Majority of PrUs on sacrum

Cereda E, Klersy C, Seriola M, Crespi A, D'Andrea F; for the OligoElement Sore Trial Study Group. A Nutritional Formula Enriched with Arginine, Zinc, and Antioxidants for the Healing of Pressure Ulcers: a Randomized, Controlled Trial.

Ann Intern Med 2015;162(3):167-17

# Malnourished criteria

- UWL – 5%(30 days) and 10% 3months
- BMI< 20 age <65 and < 21 > 65
- Food intake (<60% of estimated total daily energy requirements in the week before the study)
- Both groups received a 400 mL high-calorie, high-protein formula (100 ML ,4x /day)
- Standard wound care for all

# Nutritional Supplement in 100mL

## **Intervention**

- Protein 10 grams
- Arginine-L 1.5
- Zinc 4.5 mg
- Copper 675 mcg
- Vitamin C 125 mg
- Vitamin E 19.0 mg

## **Standard: Control**

- Protein 10 grams
- Arginine-0
- Zinc 2.3 mg.
- Copper 338 mcg
- Vitamin C 19mg
- Vitamin E 2.3 mg

# Conclusion

- 69.9% in intervention formula group had 40% or greater reduction in PU size compared to 54.1% in control
- The efficacy of these nutrients in wound healing is likely synergistic because there is no evidence supporting an independent effect when given alone
- This nutritional intervention may be beneficial when added to optimized local wound care for the treatment of pressure ulcers in malnourished patients.

# Fluids: What Does the Evidence Suggest?



**Dehydration is a risk factor for pressure ulcer development**

**Hydration needs must be met to assure proper prevention and healing**



# SIGNS OF DEHYDRATION

- Dry oral mucosa
- Weight change
- Skin tenting
- Decreased urine output
- Hypernatremia
- Calculated serum osmolality  $>295$  mOsm/Kg
- BUN: creatinine above 25:1



# Hydration

Provide additional fluid for individuals with dehydration, elevated temp, vomiting, profuse sweating, diarrhea or heavily draining wounds.



# Fluids



**Needs  
increase  
according  
to  
insensible  
water loss**



**Needs  
may  
decrease  
for CHF,  
renal  
failure**

# Consider Taps

- Turn
- Align
- Position
- Sips



# Hydration Interventions

- Offer variety of beverages
- Glass of water with meals
- Hydration pass & juice machines with resident access
- Hydration in rehab department



# What Does the Evidence Suggest?

## Micronutrients





# Micronutrients

- Individuals with pressure injuries may not be consuming an adequate diet to meet established nutritional reference standards
- Is the diet served consumed?
- Do mega doses result in adverse outcomes?
- Are deficiencies suspected or confirmed?





# Vitamins and Minerals

- Provide/encourage an individual with a pressure injury/ulcers to consume a balanced diet with good sources of vitamins & minerals
- Consider vitamin and mineral supplements if dietary intake is poor or deficiencies are confirmed or suspected



# Vitamin C

- Provides tensile strength to new collagen
- Macrophages during inflammatory phase
- Promotes iron absorption
- Deficiency = capillary fragility & decreased wound strength
- No evidence to support mega doses

	1 Guava 126mg		1 Large Pepper 340mg		1 Cup Broccoli 80mg
		1 Cup Dark Green Leafy Vegetables 80mg		1 Cup Cauliflower 46mg	
	1 Cup Kiwi Fruit 166mg		1 Orange 69mg		1 Cup Papaya 88mg
		1 Cup Strawberry 97mg		1 Tomato 28mg	
	1 Cup Peas		1 Cup Parsley 79mg		1 Cup Mango 45mg
<small>www.nutritioninside.com</small>		1 Cup Cantaloupe 67mg		100g Gooseberries 478mg	<small>www.nutritioninside.com</small>

Source: Google Image

# Vitamin A

- Cell mediated immune function, collagen synthesis, & cross linking
- Steroids can delay healing
- Fat soluble vitamin
- Deficiency Increases risk of infection



# Zinc

- Stimulates activity of multiple enzymes
- Provides membrane stability
- Provides maturation of collagen in proliferative and remodeling phases



# Zinc

- Zinc requirements can be met by 2 servings/ day of animal protein
- A multivitamin/mineral supplement daily (15 mg zinc) may be adequate. (DRI 2004)





# Zinc

- No research to show zinc supplementation improves healing
- Doses  $>40$  mg/day can affect copper status and possibly result in anemia

Labs values not reliable

- Negative acute phase reactant
- Zinc is widespread in body
- Decreased values with inflammation



# Iron

- Improves tissue perfusion
- Carries oxygen to tissues
- Important for collagen synthesis

## Deficiency:

- Increases tissue ischemia
- Decreased wound strength
- Impaired collagen cross linking



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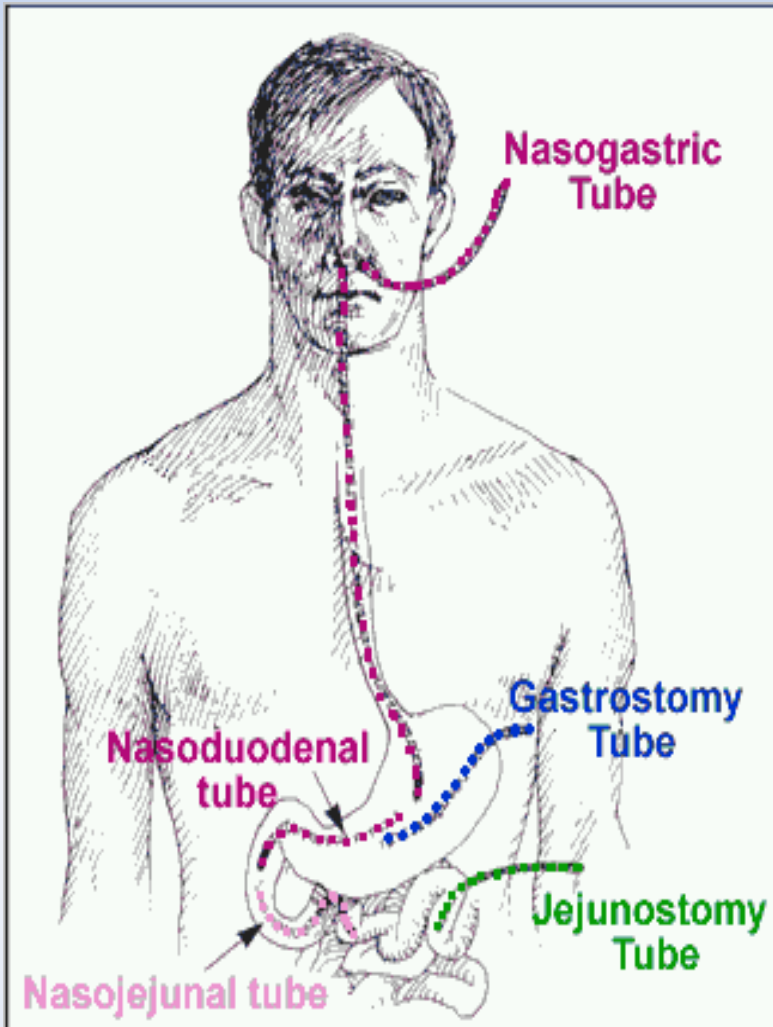
# Nutrition Support

- Consider nutritional support (enteral or parenteral nutrition) when oral intake is inadequate
- NPO >3-5 days
- Hydration with IVs does not supply nutrients
- Places individual at risk of undernutrition and pressure injury development





# Enteral Feedings



Determine if patient *actually* receives TF as prescribed:

- Is TF given as ordered (product, mLs/hr)?
- Are flushes given as ordered (flushes, flushes with meds)?
- Is the strength correct?
- Is the individual tolerating the feeding?
- Round the clock or intermittent (turned off)?

# Case Study

- MT admitted with hip fx and Stage 2 pressure injury on coccyx injury
- Dx Hypertension, CHF depression,
- On 2gram sodium diet
- Admission wt 159 lbs
- Braden sub-score= 2 (rarely eats a complete meal)
- RDN interviews MT & learns he rarely eats fruits or veggies
- Meal intake records indicate 50% average eaten
- Current weight is 5% decline in 1 week
- No edema or meds to cause wt decline

- Based on guidelines protein is 86-120 grams/day
- Is MT consuming adequate protein?
- Is MT malnourished?
- What would be your POC ?

<u>MT 's typical daily menu</u>	
Morning meal:	<i>Protein</i>
2 eggs	<i>25 g</i>
2 slices of toast	
8 fl oz of milk	
Noon meal:	<i>16 g</i>
Meat sandwich (3oz meat)	
Chips	
Soft drink	
Afternoon Snack:	<i>9 g</i>
2 cookies	
8 fl oz of milk	
Evening meal:	<i>27 g</i>
3 oz. of meat	
Slice of bread	
A large serving of potatoes or corn	
Soft drink	
	<i>2 g</i>
Before bed meal:	
Popcorn	
Soft drink	<i>Total = 79 g</i>
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<i>50% of Meal Consumed</i>	
<i>= 39.5 g Protein</i>	

## Case Study 2

- FS has a chronic stage 4 pressure injury on her coccyx and a stage 3 on her heel.
- Wt is stable at 180 #
- Nursing notifies MD, RDN, individual, and family
- RDN interviews FS & confirms that she eats a balanced diet.
- RDN notes that MD has ordered vitamin C 250 mg bid and zinc sulfate 220 mg daily = (50 mg. of elemental zinc)

# Case Study 2

- Based on the guidelines FS's protein requirement is 102-123 gms/day
- Is FS consuming adequate protein?
- Is FS malnourished?
- What is your POC ?

## FS 's typical daily menu

Morning meal:	
4oz citrus juice or fruit	
1 egg	Protein
1 slice of toast	18 g
½ cup cereal w/ 8 oz. of milk	
Noon meal:	
Large salad w/ 2oz meat or cheese	
Crackers	
Serving of fruit	21 g
8 oz. of milk	
Afternoon Snack:	
Ice Cream	3 g
Coffee	
Evening meal:	
3oz of meat or fish	21 g
Serving of rice or potatoes	
1 slice of bread	
Vegetable and Salad	
Before bed meal:	16 g
Peanut butter	
Crackers	
8oz. milk	
	Total =
	79 g

Nutrient	Function	Recommendation
Calories	Energy source to preserve lean body mass	30-35 kca/kg BW & adjust per client, level of obesity
Protein	Tissue maintenance Collagen synthesis, build LBM	1.25- 1.5 g/kg BW adjust per condition, monitor renal status
Fluid	Normal cell function & tissue integrity	1 mL/kcal consumed, monitor hydration status
Vitamin C	Collagen synthesis ,supports formation of new blood vessels	Mega doses not recommended
Zinc	Protein synthesis; cellular growth; deficiency impairs healing	RDA 11mg/day males,8mg/day females, mega doses not recommended, UTL 40 mg/day
Arginine	Biological precursor to nitric oxid,increases blood flow which can support collagen in wounds	Supplemental arginine in ↑cal. ↑protein supplement with micronutrients maybe beneficial

# Steps to Successful Nutrition Care

**1**

- Screen and Assess Nutrition Status
- Individualize interventions and develop POC

**2**

- Provide diet based on estimated needs, consider fortified foods
- Offer supplements between meals if intake is inadequate

**3**

- Consider ONS fortified with arginine, vitamin or minerals if needs not met with high calorie/protein supplement
- Consider EN/PN based on resident's wishes, when needs cannot be met orally

# Pressure Injury Care

**Effective pressure injury treatment: multidisciplinary & holistic**



## **Nursing Care**

Turning regimes,  
hygiene, etc.



## **Support Surfaces**

Mattresses,  
cushions,  
protection, etc.



## **Wound Care**

Dressings,  
cleaning, drainage,  
etc.



## **Nutrition**

Delivery of  
nutrients to  
stimulate healing





# Questions



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