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Purpose Question

Will an evidence-based skin champion model in the ICU improve nursing knowledge and perceptions about pressure ulcer prevention and reduce hospital acquired pressure ulcers?

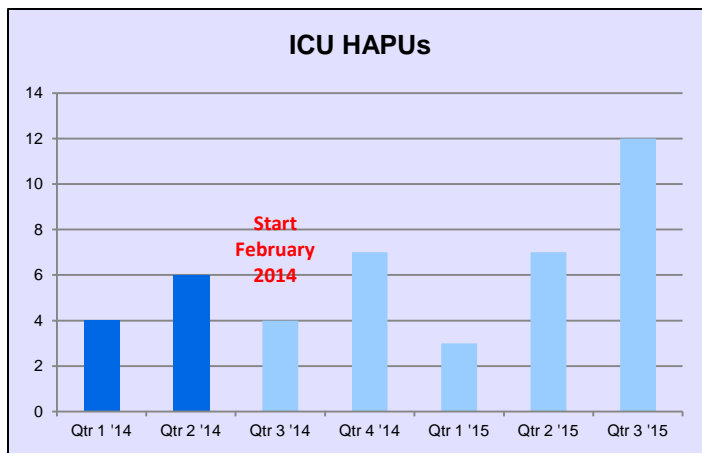
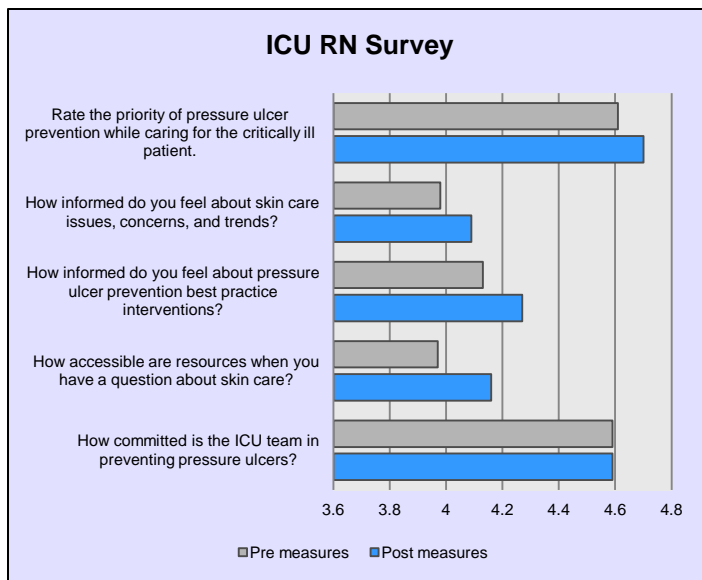
Synthesis of Evidence

- Skin Champion Outcomes:
 - Decrease pressure ulcers
 - Improves commitment to prevention
 - Improves knowledge and compliance
 - Engages employees
 - Increases accountability
 - Builds relationships and trust
- Defining the Role:
 - Introduce new policies and interventions
 - Serve as a resource and mentor
 - Liaison between WOC and staff
 - Data collection and PI processes
 - Receives additional education

Team Members

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Pre/Post Measures



EBP Changes

- Dedicated 4 hours per week
 - Chart review
 - Variance report reviews
 - 1:1 education with nurses and PCAs
 - Skills station education
 - Change agent for the Skin Integrity Guidelines
 - Resource when WOC is not available
 - Improved accessibility of supplies

Results & Next Steps

- Results:
 - Increased awareness and reporting
 - Improved commitment
- Next Steps:
 - Revised Skin Wound Committee Charter for all members effective July 1, 2015
 - Dedicated 4 hours per month to educate, review literature, analyze trends, develop action plans, audits

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