Evidence in focus


Use of the T.I.M.E. clinical decision support tool (CDST) by non-wound care specialists promoted a consistent holistic wound management approach

Plus points

Promoted consistent holistic wound care

Enhanced confidence

Overview

- The T.I.M.E. CDST was used by five Danish nurses with no specific wound care training, alongside local protocols and guidelines, to guide wound bed preparation
- Patients with chronic wounds were monitored and reviewed for up to one month; wound healing parameters were recorded

Results

- Five patient cases (Table) demonstrated that use of the T.I.M.E. CDST helped to guide:
  - Wound bed preparation
  - Dressing selection
  - Chronic wound management
- Use of the T.I.M.E. CDST increased the confidence of less experienced clinicians with:
  - Decision making
  - Dressing selection
  - When to refer

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<th>Patient Wound type</th>
<th>Outcome using the T.I.M.E. CDST</th>
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<td>Male, aged 74 years Pressure ulcer</td>
<td>Structured wound management and guided dressing selection</td>
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<td>Female, aged 86 years Vasculitic wound</td>
<td>Formation of healthy granulation tissue and reduced pain</td>
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<td>Male, aged 74 years Venous leg ulcer</td>
<td>Aided communication between clinicians</td>
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<td>Female, aged 73 years Diabetic foot ulcer</td>
<td>Facilitated consistent wound treatment</td>
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Conclusions

Use of the T.I.M.E. CDST by non-wound care specialists helped to promote consistent holistic wound management and reduce variation in practice. It also improved confidence in clinical decision making and reduced the need for specialist advice.

Citation


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