

## **Pressure mapping assessments**

**These are not purely to support equipment selection. The following points should be given consideration prior to referral:**

- The patient has pressure damage that is deteriorating or static (referrals should not be made for MASD).
- There are concerns around non-concordance, including both the patient and family/carers.
- The equipment provision has already been upgraded and skin integrity remains a concern.
- Referrals should **not** be made for assessment of wheelchair cushions – these should be made to wheelchair services.

## **Tissue Viability Team Referral**

**A referral must be completed to Tissue Viability Team for any pressure mapping assessments, and this should include the following information:**

- The reason the patient meets with the above criteria and what the expected outcomes are.
- Any moving and handling problems and/or current restrictions
- How the patient mobilises.
- What equipment the patient is currently using and what are the concerns with this.
- What type of chair the patient is using (high seat/recliner etc).
- An overview of skin integrity.
- What carer/family support the patient has.
- Past medical history and patient weight/BMI.
- Patient consent has been obtained for the review.
- Any non-concordance concerns.
- Please specify if there is a wound to review at the same time as the pressure mapping.

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