

## **National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel (NPIAP) Position Statement on Artificial Intelligence**

The National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel (NPIAP) recognizes that artificial intelligence (AI) and related technologies have the potential to enhance pressure injury prevention, assessment, treatment, education, research, and quality improvement efforts across the continuum of care.

NPIAP encourages the responsible and ethical use of AI as a tool to support healthcare professionals, researchers, educators, and healthcare organizations in advancing evidence-based pressure injury prevention and treatment. AI technologies may help improve efficiency, expand access to information, identify patterns within large datasets, support clinical decision-making, and facilitate innovation in patient care.

At the same time, NPIAP believes that AI should complement, not replace, clinical judgment, professional expertise, and individualized patient assessment. Meaningful human oversight remains essential when using AI-enabled tools in clinical, educational, research, and operational settings. Decisions regarding patient care should remain grounded in the best available evidence, clinical expertise, and the unique needs and preferences of each patient.

Because AI-generated information may contain inaccuracies, omissions, or bias, content produced with the assistance of AI should be independently reviewed and verified by qualified professionals before being applied in clinical practice, research, education, or policy development.

NPIAP supports the ongoing evaluation of AI technologies to ensure they are accurate, reliable, transparent, and supported by appropriate scientific evidence. NPIAP further encourages rigorous research to assess the safety, effectiveness, limitations, and appropriate applications of AI technologies in pressure injury prevention and treatment. As the authoritative voice for pressure injury prevention and treatment, NPIAP will continue to monitor emerging technologies, promote education regarding their appropriate use, and support the generation of high-quality evidence in this rapidly evolving field.

When using AI technologies in healthcare environments, clinicians and organizations should continue to protect patient privacy and confidentiality in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, institutional policies, and employer requirements. Users should exercise caution when entering patient information into AI systems and follow their organization's guidance regarding the use of protected or confidential information.

NPIAP is committed to fostering innovation while maintaining the highest standards of scientific rigor, patient safety, and evidence-based practice.