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*The National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel provides multidisciplinary leadership for improved patient outcomes in pressure injury prevention and management through education, public policy, and research.*

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Dear NPIAP Panel Members and Supporters,

The NPIAP is monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and the effects it is having on both healthcare providers and patients. We remain committed to our core mission to **PROVIDE INTERPROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP TO IMPROVE PATIENT OUTCOMES IN PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT THROUGH EDUCATION, PUBLIC POLICY AND RESEARCH**. We realize that both human and material resources are strained as we care for the ever-increasing number and complexity of patients with COVID-19. In response to the many inquiries and expressions of concerns we have received, the NPIAP has compiled a list of **COVID-19 Related Resources for Pressure Injury Prevention**. We will continue to expand this list as needed. See below for an initial list of resources.

Please keep us apprised of the challenges you are facing. Many of the NPIAP Board members are also working in hospitals and care facilities and we will do our best to respond as quickly as possible.

Evidence-based standards of pressure injury prevention have not changed. However, we reasonably anticipate that unavoidable pressure injury rates may increase during the COVID-19 crisis. By definition, an unavoidable designation means that we provided evidence-base preventive interventions to the best of our ability. The NPIAP remains committed to developing innovative strategies to support the health and well-being of both providers and patients despite current challenges.

Our thoughts are with the many health care professionals who are on the frontlines of care as we battle the Coronavirus/COVID-19. We applaud your dedication and commitment in providing the best possible care to your patients in these challenging times.

Stay safe! Let us know how we can best support you.

Kind regards,

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