



# Tissue Viability Bulletin

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## Articles

### **Optimising chronic wound care : a human and financial necessity**

*Julie Penfold highlights the importance of evidence based practice in wound care to reduce the burden on patients and healthcare services*

British Journal of Healthcare Management 2021 27 (11) pp. 269-271

### **Should paediatric patients be cared for by paediatric tissue viability nurses?**

*Many children who are unwell are cared for in non-specialist hospitals or by generic community nursing teams. If they develop a wound that wound care may be directed by the local tissue viability nurse, who is probably an adult trained registered nurse will minimal exposure to or experience of caring for children. Does this matter? Are they just the same wounds but at a smaller scale?*

Wounds UK 2021 17 (4) pp. 28-31

### **Prevalence of skin injuries in COVID-19 patients in a specialist UK respiratory Intensive Care Unit**

*The impact of COVID-19 on skin integrity in an intensive care setting is a challenge due to the pathological acuity and extended length of stay experienced by this patient group*

Wounds UK 2021 17 (4) pp. 56-66

## **Best Practice and Guidelines**

### **NICE 2021**

#### **Management of Morton's Neuroma**

*Morton's Neuroma is a compression neuropathy of the common digital planter nerve*

Available from: [Morton's neuroma | Health topics A to Z | CKS | NICE](#)



## **NICE 2021**

### Mogamulizumab for previously treated mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome

*Mogamulizumab is recommended, within its marketing authorisation, as an option for treating Sézary syndrome in adults who have had at least 1 systemic treatment.*

Available from: [Mogamulizumab for previously treated mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome \(nice.org.uk\)](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ta252)

## **Cochrane Library 2021**

### Transfusion thresholds for guiding red blood cell transfusion

*The optimal haemoglobin threshold for use of red blood cell (RBC) transfusions in anaemic patients remains an active field of research. Blood is a scarce resource, and in some countries, transfusions are less safe than in others because of inadequate testing for viral pathogens*

Available from:

<https://www.cochranelibrary.com/cdsr/doi/10.1002/14651858.CD002042.pub5/epdf/full>

## **Cochrane Library 2021**

### Through-knee versus above-knee amputation for vascular and non-vascular major lower limb amputations

*Diabetes and vascular disease are the leading causes of lower limb amputation. Currently, 463 million adults are living with diabetes, and 202 million with peripheral vascular disease, worldwide. When a lower limb amputation is considered, preservation of the knee in a below-knee amputation allows for superior functional recovery when compared with amputation at a higher level.*

Available from:

<https://www.cochranelibrary.com/cdsr/doi/10.1002/14651858.CD013839.pub2/epdf/full>

## **Wounds UK 2021**

### Addressing skin tone bias in wound care: assessing signs and symptoms in people with dark skin tones

*Discrepancies in healthcare have long been an issue, with evidence-based best practice guidance needed to ensure that patients receive the best possible care. Disparities and biases due to ethnicity have been highlighted in particular.*

Available from: [Addressing skin tone bias in wound care assessing signs and symptoms in people with dark skin tones - Wounds UK \(wounds-uk.com\)](https://wounds-uk.com/guidance/assessing-signs-and-symptoms-in-people-with-dark-skin-tones)

## **Wounds UK 2021**

### Care of the person with diabetes and lower limb ulcers

*The growing burden of diabetes and its complications has led to a national diabetes strategy with the aim to commission equitable and accessible services for lower limb ulceration (NHS England, 2020).*

Available from: [Care of the person with diabetes and lower limb ulcers - Wounds UK \(wounds-uk.com\)](https://wounds-uk.com/guidance/care-of-the-person-with-diabetes-and-lower-limb-ulcers)



## **Wounds UK 2021**

### Use of silver dressings in wound care

*Infection is an important issue in wound care. Early identification and intervention are key to the patient's wellbeing and healing outcomes. Effective identification and treatment of wound infection remains a challenge in clinical practice.*

Available from: [Use of silver dressings in wound care - Wounds UK \(wounds-uk.com\)](https://wounds-uk.com)

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