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**NPUAP Announces Release of Newly Developed Cartilage
Position Statement**

NPUAP has a new position statement entitled *Pressure Ulcers with Exposed Cartilage are Stage IV Pressure Ulcers*. In this position statement, staging for ulcers absent of soft tissue, such as skin over cartilage, is examined. To read this position statement in its entirety please go to:

<http://www.npuap.org/resources/position-statements/>.

The National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (NPUAP) is an independent not-for-profit professional organization dedicated to the prevention and management of pressure ulcers. Formed in 1987, the NPUAP Board of Directors is composed of leading experts from different health care disciplines--- all of whom share a commitment to the prevention and management of pressure ulcers. The NPUAP serves as a resource to health care professionals, government, the public, and health care agencies; and welcomes and encourages the participation of those interested in pressure ulcer issues through utilization of NPUAP educational materials, participation at national conferences, and support of efforts in public policy, education and research.

Find more information on NPUAP's goals and activities on our website at www.npuap.org or contact us at npuap@npuap.org

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