BACKGROUND

• 4E SICU is a 24 bed unit, comprised of ICU/IMC patients.
• The prevention of Hospital-Acquired Pressure Ulcers is a hospital initiative and is now linked to CMS reimbursement.
• A multi-step method of lotions and barrier creme with basins has traditionally been used for cleaning incontinence and the prevention of Incontinence-Associated Dermatitis (IAD).
• Disposable cloth methods have been rejected in the past as contributing to plumbing clogs, sewage backups and floods.

OBJECTIVES

• Evaluate the all-in-one barrier cloth and its effects on Incontinence-Associated Dermatitis (IAD) and Hospital-Acquired Pressure Ulcers (HAPU).
• Reduce the cost of incontinence cleaning/barrier products as well as process variation.
• Evaluate stainless-steel Traptex Plumbing Protection System to prevent toilet clogs and sewage back-ups.

REFERENCES