

INTEGUMENTARY SYSTEM ASSESSMENT CHART

Clinical Nursing Reference & Documentation Template

Patient ID: _____ Date: _____ Nurse: _____

LAYER	KEY CHARACTERISTICS	CLINICAL CONSIDERATIONS
Epidermis	Avascular, stratified squamous epithelial cells.	Vitamin D synthesis, barrier protection.
Dermis	Collagen, elastic tissue, nerves, blood vessels.	Turgor assessment, sensation, thermoregulation.
Hypodermis	Subcutaneous adipose tissue and fascia.	Insulation, calorie storage, injection site.

COLOR / PIGMENTATION Normal for Ethnicity
 Pallor Cyanosis Jaundice
 Erythema Ecchymosis
TEMPERATURE & MOISTURE Warm Hot Cool
 Dry Diaphoretic Clammy
TURGOR & EDEMA Turgor: Elastic Tenting
 Edema: 1+ 2+ 3+ 4+
LESIONS & INTEGRITY Intact Macule Papule
 Pustule Vesicle Ulcer

STAGE	CLINICAL PRESENTATION
Stage 1	Non-blanchable erythema of intact skin.
Stage 2	Partial-thickness loss of dermis; shallow open ulcer.
Stage 3	Full-thickness tissue loss; subcutaneous fat may be visible.
Stage 4	Full-thickness loss with exposed bone, tendon, or muscle.
Unstageable	Obscured by slough or eschar; depth unknown.