

## Fortis Healthcare partners with Mölnlycke Healthcare India for awareness on wound care

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Fortis Healthcare has partnered with Mölnlycke Healthcare India, to launch an essential educational initiative in recognition of Stop Pressure Injury Day, observed on the third Thursday of November every year (November 20<sup>th</sup> this year).

The initiative supports educational and training programmes centered on best practices in advanced wound care. As part of the awareness campaign, Fortis Hospitals, led by Captain Sandhya Shankar Pandey, organised workshops, hands-on training and educational sessions for healthcare staff to underscore the importance of prevention and early intervention in managing pressure injuries.

In collaboration with Mölnlycke Healthcare India, this initiative supports educational, and training programmes centered on best practices in advanced wound care at Fortis Hospital Shalimar Bagh, New Delhi, under the supervision of Ms Girja Sharma, Chief of Nursing, Fortis Shalimar Bagh and Fortis Group of Hospitals in the National Capital Region.

Patients with pressure injuries are estimated to have a higher risk of mortality (2 times) compared to patients living without pressure injuries. Research indicates that during acute hospitalisation, patients who develop pressure injuries have a greater risk of mortality rate, about 67% as compared to 15% for patients without pressure injuries. The most common pressure injuries are on the sacrum, heels, greater trochanter, ischial tuberosity, and back of the head.

Dr Bishnu Panigrahi, Group Head – Medical Strategy and Operations, Fortis Healthcare and Capt. Sandhya Shankar Pandey, Chief of Nursing - Fortis Healthcare Group of Hospitals said, “This programme sets a new benchmark in healthcare partnerships, aiming to reduce the prevalence and impact of pressure injuries. Our aim is to empower healthcare staff with essential skills and knowledge to prevent and manage pressure injuries, ultimately enhancing patient care standards.”