## Pressure Points

## **Preventative Skin Care**

- Reposition frequently; use positioning devices to relieve pressure
- Clean quickly after incontinence
- Apply skin barrier creams and lotions
- Toilet per resident's need
- → Keep linens clean and wrinkle-free
- -> Check fit of wheelchairs, braces and splints
- Check skin around and under oxygen tubing, GT sites, catheters, support stockings and casts



- Inspect skin daily... report all suspicious areas
  - Provide appropriate assistance with transfer to prevent friction and shearing
    - Begin immediate preventative care when illness occurs (ex. diarrhea, fever, colds, flu)

