

## Documentation: Waterlow Assessment

### Quick reference guide

The *Modified Waterlow Risk Assessment* will automatically be added to the nursing task list upon patient admission



The *Waterlow* task will remain on *CareCompass* until a score is generated

### Documenting Waterlow Risk Assessment

1. Locate patient on *CareCompass*
2. Click on the *grey chevron* on the right side of the patient to display the patient's activity list



3. Select the *Waterlow* activity
4. Click the *Document* button in the bottom right corner

This will open *Activity View* in *Interactive View* to document the *Waterlow assessment*

5. Double click on the *navy blue bar* at the top of the left-most column of the *Waterlow Risk Assessment*




6. Document the assessment in the available fields.

Modified Waterlow Risk Score	
Previous pressure injury	
Pressure injury site	
Height/length measured	cm
Weight measured	kg
Body mass index measured	kg/m <sup>2</sup>
Build weight for height Waterlow	
Sex Waterlow	
Age Waterlow	
Mobility Waterlow	
Medication Waterlow	
Continenence Waterlow	
Tissue malnutrition Waterlow	
Neurological deficit Waterlow	
Skin type visual risk areas Waterlow	
Pressure injury Waterlow	
Major surgery or trauma Waterlow	
Lost weight recently without trying	
Total score - malnutrition screen	
Waterlow score	




Click on the *blue hyperlinks* to see reference texts which display further information if required

7. Ensure a *Waterlow score* has been calculated and then click *Sign* ✓
8. Click *Refresh*  0 minutes ago



- Dietician referral orders are automatically created for Malnutrition Screen scores of 2 or greater.
- Skin inspection order/s are automatically created for *Waterlow scores* of 10 or more
- If the Waterlow score is 10 or more, a *Skin Integrity Risk Plan of Care* will be suggested



If a score has not been generated in the *Waterlow score* field, ensure you have documented in all available fields above the calculation  Double click in the cell to generate the score