

# Pressure Redistributing Equipment Selection Guide

**Any pressure redistributing surface does not remove the need for skin assessment and repositioning.**

Powered hybrid mattresses are a combination of both foam and air and can be used as reactive mattresses (without the pump) or as active support surfaces (with the pump), e.g. Hybrid Power/ Softform Premier Active 2.

**The OSKA Lateral Tilt mattress must always have pump attached and switched on**, select weight and therapy mode for individual patients, [see training video](#). When no dynamic function is required set to float.

- All patients with PVD, neuropathy, diabetes and or existing heel changes refer to [CPR for feet](#)
- Some patients/clinical areas may require specialist pressure redistributing support surfaces (e.g. Paediatrics, ICU and plus size patients). Please discuss with relevant practitioner e.g. OT, moving and handling, TVN, etc.

**Equipment selection should be used in conjunction with clinical judgement and Pressure Ulcer (PU) Risk Assessment**

