The expectation that our PACU will hold overflow surgical and nonsurgical ICU patients led to a review of the ASPAN Position Statement 5. The need for review and expansion of critical care skills, along with caring for two patients who presented with severe Compartment Syndrome in extremities, led to this educational presentation.

The objective was to educate OR and PACU staff on identification patients at risk and allow for early intervention.

Literature review provided the material. Power Point presentation was given. Pretest and post test were given to measure comprehension. Each participant completed a short evaluation on the value of the information and understanding of the material.

Pretest results demonstrated only 49% of answers were correct. Post test results were 100% correct. Evaluation scale of 1 strongly disagree to 5 strongly agree were as follows: Information was helpful to practice 4.7, visual materials were helpful 4.7, and easy to understand 4.6. Early identification of risk for our trauma patients and nonsurgical ICU holds, along with early intervention will provide best outcome for our patients.