Supplemental Digital Content

The images below accompany Sandra Moorman’s article, “Surviving Life-Threatening Illness: Keys to Optimal Nursing Care.” (Jan/March JCN)

Figure 1. (A-D) A young male with necrotizing fasciitis that developed after a possible spider bite. Photographs are 3 days and 8 days after first noticing discomfort and prior to treatment.

Figure 2. (A-D) A 36-year-old man 2 months post-treatment and skin grafting; this man developed necrotizing fasciitis following a motorcycle accident with abrasions. (Courtesy of National Necrotizing Fasciitis Foundation, http://www.nnff.org/nnff_survivors.htm. Used with permission.)
Figure 3. (A and B) A 37-year-old woman developed necrotizing fasciitis after surgery for a left inguinal hernia repair and removal of a lipoma on the left thigh. Images are of the wound several weeks and 2 months post-skin grafting. (Courtesy of National Necrotizing Fasciitis Foundation, http://www.nnff.org/nnff_survivors.htm. Used with permission.)

Figure 4. A 30-year-old man developed rapidly progressive painful erythema and edema of the right foot following a bee sting. Necrotizing fasciitis was diagnosed, and the area was aggressively debrided in the operating room. (©Ben Barankin, MD, Dermatlas; http://www.dermatlas.org.)
Figure 5. This 40-year-old man with uncontrolled diabetes developed a deep ulcerated wound with foul-smelling discharge on his buttocks and scrotum. (©Siddharth Lakhota, MD, Dermatlas; http://www.dermatlas.org.)