

Building Momentum For Skin Health And Wound Care In 2026



As we move through 2026, Wounds Canada continues to advance its national role as a trusted leader, convener, educator and advocate for skin health and wound prevention and care. Across the country, our work focuses on strengthening capacity, supporting health-care providers, elevating patient and caregiver voices and helping communities and organizations improve outcomes for people living with or at risk of wounds.

This year, Wounds Canada continues to expand education and training opportunities through the *Wounds Canada Institute*, supporting health-care teams across home and community care, long-term care, acute care and community-based services.

Our programs are helping organizations build practical knowledge, strengthen clinical confidence and embed best practices into everyday care. We are also enhancing our learning platforms and program pathways to better support participants, organizations and system partners.

Planning is also underway for key education and engagement opportunities in 2026, including our *Regional Conference in Alberta* and our *National Conference in Ontario*. These conferences will bring together health-care providers, leaders, researchers, partners and community members to share knowledge, strengthen collaboration and showcase best practices and new technologies.

In 2026, we are also placing a strong emphasis on public awareness and accessible knowledge sharing. Through *Wound Care Canada*, our *Limb Preservation Journal*, *webinars*, *podcasts*, social media and digital resources, we are working to ensure that patients, caregivers, clinicians, educators, decision-makers and partner organizations have access to timely, credible and practical information that supports their ongoing crucial development. Our communications continue to highlight prevention, early intervention, equity, limb preservation, skin health and the importance of coordinated wound care across the continuum.

A major focus of our work this year is the continued dissemination and integration of the *Patient Bill of Rights and Responsibilities in Wound Prevention and Care*. This initiative reflects Wounds Canada's commitment to person-centred care, health equity, advocacy and meaningful engagement with people with lived experience. The principles of the *Patient Bill of Rights and Responsibilities* are informing education, awareness, research and future policy conversations.

Editor's note: *The Patient Bill of Rights and Responsibilities in Wound Prevention and Care has been published as a supplement to this issue of Wound Care Canada and is available at DOI: 10.56885/861701gspubh.*



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Wound Care Canada is the voice of Canadian wound care. It focuses on all aspects of acute and chronic wound care, from prevention to cure. Its mission is to share the latest evidence-based information and clinical experiences in an authoritative, reader-friendly format. Our readers range from established experts in a variety of clinical disciplines, to wound care novices, to generalist health-care providers. We welcome any articles that, through the sharing of evidence-informed knowledge, education and clinical experience, lead to better prevention and management of acute and chronic wounds.

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Research and partnership remain central to our strategic direction. Wounds Canada continues to collaborate with academic, community and health-system partners to better understand the experiences of people affected by wounds and to identify community-driven strategies to reduce inequities in wound prevention and care. This work is especially important for rural, remote and underserved communities, where access to timely prevention and treatment can be more challenging.

We are also strengthening our national voice through advocacy, stakeholder engagement and participation in conferences, committees and sector-wide conversations. These activities allow Wounds Canada to draw attention to the burden of wounds, the value of prevention and the need for sustainable investment in education, early intervention and the implementation of best practices.

Together with our members, partners, volunteers, patients, caregivers, health-care providers, researchers, funders and supporters, Wounds Canada is advancing a shared vision: better skin health, improved wound prevention and care and stronger outcomes for individuals, families, communities and health systems.

We look forward to continuing this important work throughout 2026 and thank the Wounds Canada community for being part of this national movement. We hope you enjoy this issue and look forward to continue bringing to you the carefully curated content that reflects the ongoing trajectory of wound care in Canada.

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