

Wound Care Canada is Born!



Sue Rosenthal

Two years ago, several of us involved in the Canadian Association of Wound Care seemed to have an idea pop into our heads simultaneously: it was time for the CAWC to produce its own wound-care publication. At the time, the CAWC was emerging as a world leader in wound care, and we felt the organization had an obligation and an opportunity to further move the process forward. A dedicated group of interested individuals with a shared vision then worked to make it come to fruition. What was once only an idea has now become the reality you hold in your hands — *Wound Care Canada*, the official publication of the CAWC.

Wound Care Canada is aimed at health-care professionals who are

“We are proud of the hard work that has gone into the development of this first issue. Enjoy!”

Heather L. Orsted, CAWC President

involved in wound management across the country and around the world. It covers a wide range of topics, based on the pillars of the CAWC: Clinical Practice, Education, Public Policy, Research and International Partnerships, as well as innovation, resources and more — and always with a focus on best practice. Our plan is to produce two issues for the first year and then consider expanding our production to four issues per year.

Wound Care Canada is the latest piece in the CAWC's core communications net, which includes a comprehensive Web site, electronic bulletins, the annual conference and other educational events.

We invite you to become involved in *Wound Care Canada* by offering feedback to our articles through letters to the editor, submitting ideas for future articles and sharing your stories with us. We want to hear from you! ☺
Sue Rosenthal, Editor

La revue *Wound Care Canada* est née !

Il y a deux ans, plusieurs d'entre nous, impliqués auprès de l'Association canadienne du soin des plaies, avons eu la même idée simultanément : il était temps pour l'ACSP de produire sa propre publication sur le soin des plaies. À ce moment, l'ACSP prenait la tête de file dans ce domaine et nous avions le sentiment que l'organisation avait l'obligation et l'occasion de contribuer au progrès. Un groupe spécifique fut formé avec des personnes intéressées, ayant une vision commune, pour commencer à développer l'idée. Ce qui fut seulement une idée est maintenant devenue la réalité que vous tenez entre vos mains — *Wound Care Canada*, la publication officielle de l'ACSP.

La revue *Wound Care Canada* vise à rejoindre les professionnels de la santé impliqués dans la ges-

« Nous sommes fiers de l'effort fourni qui a permis l'élaboration de cette première parution. Bonne lecture ! »

Heather L. Orsted, Présidente de l'ACSP

tion des plaies à travers le pays et le monde. Elle couvre un large éventail de sujets basés sur les centres d'intérêts de l'ACSP : la pratique clinique, la formation, les politiques gouvernementales, la recherche et la collaboration internationale, autant du point de vue de l'innovation que des ressources et bien davantage — et ceci, toujours en vue d'une meilleure pratique. Notre projet est de publier deux numéros la première année, et par la suite, d'envisager la production de quatre parutions annuellement.

La revue *Wound Care Canada*

est le dernier élément du réseau principal pour les communications de l'ACSP qui comprend un site web polyvalent, des bulletins électroniques, un congrès annuel et d'autres activités éducatives.

Nous vous invitons à vous impliquer dans la revue *Wound Care Canada* en nous faisant parvenir vos commentaires sur nos articles par le biais de lettres à la rédactrice, en soumettant des idées pour de futurs articles et en partageant vos expériences vécues avec nous. Nous espérons avoir de vos nouvelles ! ☺

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The CAWC was formed in 1995, and its official meeting is the CAWC annual conference held in Canada each year. The association's efforts are focused on five key areas: public policy, clinical practice, education, research and connecting with the international wound-care community. The CAWC works to significantly improve patient care, clinical outcomes and the professional satisfaction of wound-care clinicians.

L'Association canadienne du soin des plaies est un organisme sans but lucratif regroupant des professionnels de la santé, des gens de l'industrie, des patients et des membres du personnel soignant fortement intéressés à l'avancement des connaissances pour le soin des plaies au Canada.

Fondée en 1995, l'ACSP organise, chaque année, au Canada, un congrès qui lui tient lieu de réunion officielle, le Congrès annuel de l'ACSP. L'association consacre ses efforts dans cinq domaines particuliers : les politiques gouvernementales, la pratique clinique, la formation, la recherche et la création de liens avec la communauté internationale directement impliquée dans le soin des plaies. L'Association canadienne du soin des plaies vise une amélioration significative du soin donné au patient, des résultats cliniques et de la satisfaction professionnelle des spécialistes en soin des plaies.

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