

CAWC Executive Director Appointed



The Canadian Association of Wound Care Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Peggy Ahearn as executive director. Peggy has a wealth of experience in wound care. She was involved in the establishment of the CAWC; as President of The Medicine Group, a continuing healthcare education agency, from 1988 to 2005, she worked closely with the CAWC under that auspices. More recently, Peggy was the project team leader for the World Union of Wound Healing Societies 2008 Congress, which was held in Toronto.

The CAWC Has Moved

The Canadian Association of Wound Care has moved to the following location: 642 King Street West, Suite 200, Toronto, Ontario M5V 1M7. The Association's telephone number (416-485-2292) and fax number (416-485-2291), and staff email addresses remain the same.



Join us for the 17th Annual CAWC Conference!

The Canadian Association of Wound Care is pleased to report that plans for the 17th Annual Wound Care Conference, to be held in Ottawa from November 3 to 6, 2011, are well underway. This year's conference theme is Surgical Wounds, Burns and Infections.

Once again, the conference will feature 4 educational streams: basic clinical, advanced clinical, research, and public policy and education.

The conference co-chairs are Mariam Botros, a chiropodist with Women's College Hospital in Toronto, and Marc Despatis, a vascular surgeon with Centre hospitalier universitaire de Sherbrooke. This year's conference, they note, "promises interesting and informative sessions for all healthcare professionals. The focus will be on

the challenges of wound care at all levels—in the ER and hospital, in long-term care and in the community."

With respect to surgical wounds, sessions will focus on such issues as open surgical wounds and pilonidal sinus wounds. The burn management theme will feature sessions addressing pediatric and adult burns, as well as burn management in the rehabilitation setting. As always, says Botros, "the conference will explore the transdisciplinary role of wound care, while ensuring that the patient's point of view is addressed."

Speakers will be local, national and international wound care experts. Sessions that participants can look forward to include:

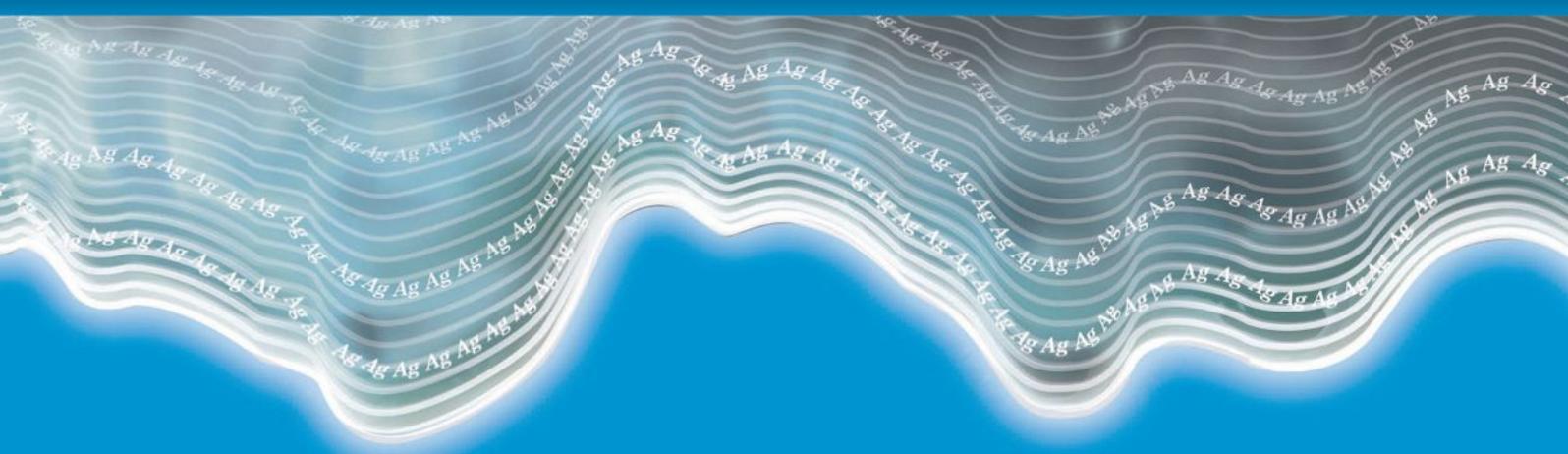
- international consensus on skin tears
- challenges in wound care research
- best practice: Open surgical wounds

- diagnostic challenges: Inflammation vs. infection
- complex wounds in the emergency room
- research on negative pressure therapy
- allied health – a hidden gem

"We are very excited about this year's conference agenda," says Patricia Coutts, President of the Canadian Association of Wound Care. "There are sessions of interest for everyone who attends, and we're looking forward to the tremendous opportunities for collaboration and interaction between speakers and attendees."

For further information, visit www.cawc.net. For registration enquiries, contact Celine Bryenton (celine@cawc.net; 416-485-2292, ext. 223).

We look forward to seeing you at the 17th Annual Wound Care Conference.



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CAWC Institute of Wound Management and Prevention Director Announced

Linda Norton BSc OT MScCH, has been appointed Director of the CAWC Institute of Wound Management and



Prevention. Linda has been a faculty member of the institute and is excited about this new opportunity.

She is both a clinician and educator, and is involved in initiatives directed toward both healthcare professionals and lay audiences. Linda will be ably joined on the Institute's interdisciplinary committee by: David Keast BSc MSc Dip Ed MD CCFP FCFP; Kim LeBlanc BScN RN MN CETN(C); and Dawn Christensen BScN RN MN CETN(C).

Register Now for the L-Series

The CAWC Institute of Wound Management and Prevention is offering its L-Series educational sessions across Canada throughout 2011. Two very successful L-Series events were held this past Spring in Edmonton and Saskatoon. For information regarding future dates and locations, and to register, please visit www.cawc.net.

Making a Difference: Recognizing Canada's Wound Care Heroes

The Canadian Association of Wound Care is inviting healthcare professionals to nominate someone in the community who has made a difference in the lives of people suffering from acute or chronic wounds.

The ideal candidate is a healthcare professional working in the community who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to help a patient deal with a wound; implement a wound care prevention program; or help patients and their families navigate the healthcare system. In short, a wound care hero who is improving the lives of their patients on a daily basis.

If you know someone who you think qualifies – or if you have a story you'd like to share – please let us know.

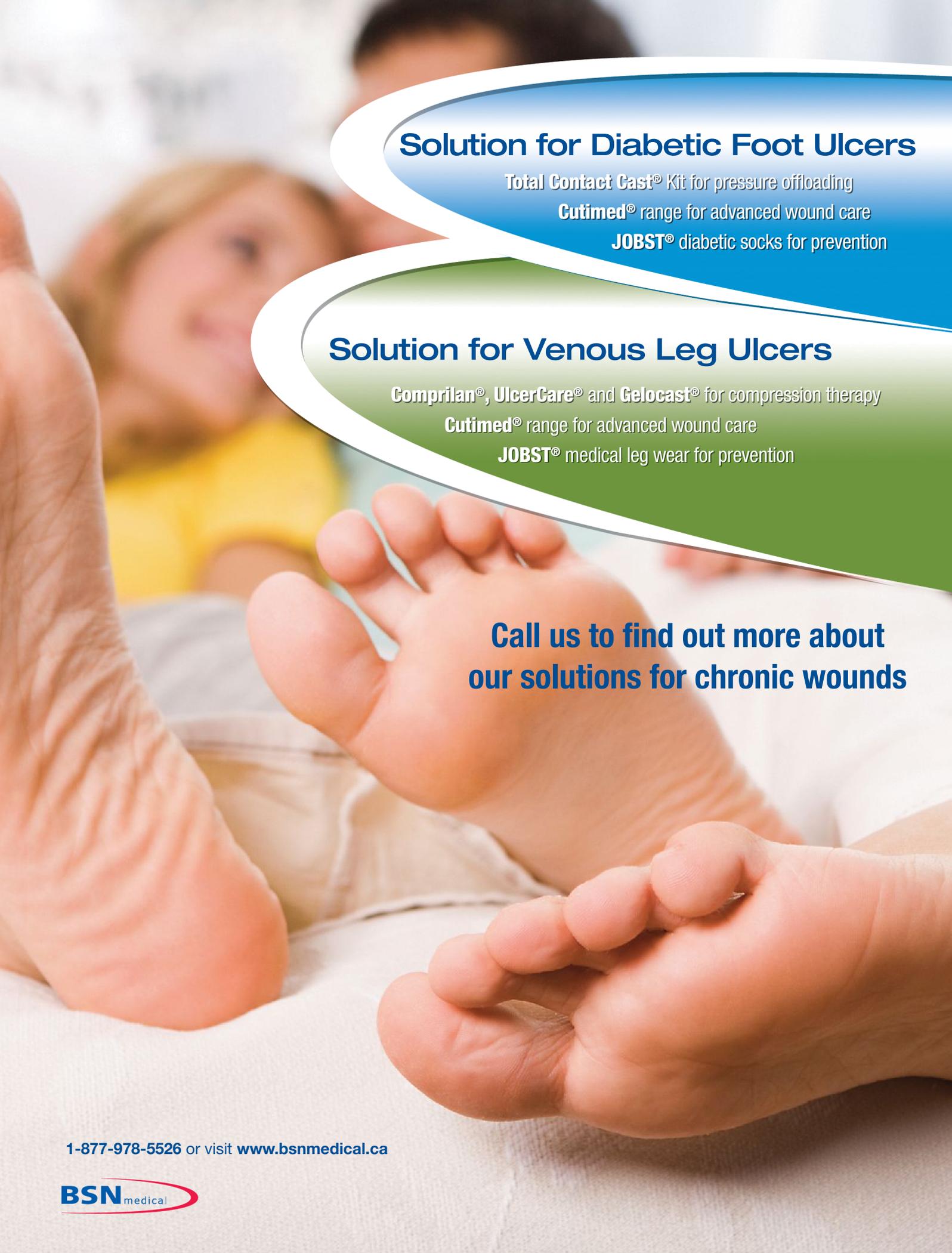
Selected Wound Care Hero nominees will be recognized at the CAWC's 17th Annual Wound Care Conference, to be held in Ottawa from November 3 to 6, 2011. The deadline for submissions is August 31, 2011.

For more information, and to complete a nomination form, please visit our website: www.cawc.net.

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Register now for CAWC Institute of Wound Management and Prevention L-Series educational sessions.

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