

# CAWC Conference

# From Innovation to Action: The Future of Wound Care Is Now

**T**he 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the CAWC is being held in the beautiful city of Vancouver, November 7–10, 2013. The venue is the Sheraton Wall Centre, located in the heart of downtown with easy access to all amenities.

This year's theme will focus on innovations in wound care and will cover developments in all areas of wound management, for all levels of expertise and over all disciplines. Wound care has made great strides in the last two decades—from the discovery of the benefits of moist wound healing and the development of advanced wound products to the advent of today's biologics that target specific cellular actions.

As always, our conference faculty will include key opinion leaders from across North America who are highly qualified to share their expertise and

clinical experience. The roster of experts is interprofessional, representing members of the teams who provide care in community, long-term- and acute-care settings.

## Starting Off Right

The program will start on an upbeat note with a presentation from Roman Danylo. Roman is a comedian and improvisation actor who uses humour to deliver important messages. Roman stars in the CTV network program *Comedy Inc.* and is a master of a number of characters including Vlad the



Russian romantic and Ken Shawn of WFTO news. He also loves to involve audience members in his skits, so be prepared! We want everyone to start the conference in a great mood, ready to learn and share.

It was once said that

as much education takes place in the coffee line as in the lecture hall, and at the CAWC we believe that networking and having fun are important parts of the conference experience. Come to connect with existing and new colleagues and friends.

In Vancouver, there's so much to see and do that we are providing information kits about the city. Shopping and restaurants are world class, and Stanley Park is a short distance away for the fitness buffs and nature lovers.

## The Sessions

Our ever-popular Foundations of Wound Care stream will once again offer an introduction to wound care. After attending all





support of our corporate sponsors. Our exhibit hall and sponsored sessions give participants an opportunity to be updated on new products and services. The exhibitor reception and opening on Friday afternoon is also a highly anticipated part of the program and enjoyed by both registrants and our industry partners. Each year, there are new and different products and creative ways to display them.

Another innovation this year is the Poster Library. All posters are digital and will be available for viewing on large screens in the Library or in the computers provided in the Cyber Café.

As we did last year, we are making strides to “go green.” The syllabus and posters will be provided to all registrants on an E stick that will be included in registration kits. This is our way to save paper and the environment and to not burden attendees with a lot of material to carry home. Our “Program at a Glance” will be provided in hard copy.

And don’t miss the Post Conference Workshops! These small-group, hands-on programs provide practical instruction on some of the key areas in day-to-day practice. They are presented by experts in each

four sessions, participants will receive a certificate of completion from the CAWC.

For more advanced practitioners there are a number of sessions in wound research, atypical wounds, lymphedema, biofilms and much more.

Our plenary sessions will cover a wide range of topics from wound care biochemistry to wound care challenges in underserved areas of Mexico. Come and find out how wound care is delivered in settings with few resources.

All sessions are highly interactive, and CME credits are available for family physicians.

### There’s More

This important event would not be possible without the



area in a relaxed, highly interactive format.

### Mark Your Calendars!

As always, the CAWC annual conference is the highlight of the year for those of us who are passionate about wound care. A great venue, innovative topics, key opinion leaders and lots of



opportunity to network make this event a necessity in planning your wound care agenda for 2013. 🖐️



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