



News in Wound Care

Wounds Canada News

Wounds Canada is pleased to announce that our two most recent events—the spring conference, *We're All in This Together*, held in Halifax in April, and the Spring 2019 Symposium: *New Perspectives in Diabetic Limb Preservation*, held in Toronto in May—were both great successes!

In Halifax, we welcomed almost 600 delegates and industry personnel to the two-day conference for sessions covering topics of both national and regional interest. A total of 33 companies and organizations presented their services and products in the exhibit hall, which also included three demo pods for hands-on demonstrations. Prior to and during the main conference, the Wounds Canada Institute (WCI) ran the Skills Lab for Venous Leg Ulcers and live events for unregulated care providers and primary care practitioners. The day before the conference, Wounds Canada facilitated a regional leadership summit for 50 local leaders and changemakers who met to discuss pressure injuries in Nova Scotia.

The inaugural event in Wounds Canada's symposium series, *New Perspectives in Diabetic Limb Preservation*, attracted more than 100 delegates

for a full day of informative sessions delivered by national and international experts. See page 41 for an exciting announcement about an upcoming supplement

to *Wound Care Canada*, which will provide a full summary of this event.



Upcoming Conferences and Other Live Educational Events

The line-up for 2019 covers a range of topics and formats, allowing individuals to choose the program that best suits their current learning needs.

October 2, 2019, Niagara Falls, ON: Skills Lab for Local Wound Care*

This skills lab is one component of the Best Practice Approach to Skin Health and Wound Management: Knowledge and Skills program (A100NWS). During the hands-on skills lab, students will have the opportunity to refine fundamental skills relevant to local wound care, including wound cleansing, debridement (including conservative sharp debridement), infection management and moisture management (dressing selection).



October 2, 2019, Niagara Falls, ON: Skills Lab for Venous Leg Ulcers*

This skills lab is one component of the Focus on the Prevention and Management of Venous Leg Ulcers: Knowledge and Skills program (A105MWS). During the hands-on skills lab, students will have the opportunity to practise the skills of lower leg assessment, including ankle-brachial pressure index testing, monofilament sensation testing, assessment of range of motion, footwear and gait, and application and removal of compression bandaging systems, garments and devices.



October 2, 2019, Niagara Falls, ON: Skills Lab for Offloading the Diabetic Foot*

This skills lab is one component of the Holistic



Symposium Series

Approach to Diabetic Foot Offloading:
Knowledge and Skills program (A108MWS).

During the hands-on skills lab, students will have the opportunity to practise the skills of diabetic foot screening and risk stratification, assessment of footwear and gait, application and use of removable cast walkers and surgical shoes/half shoes, and application and removal of total contact casts.



*These WCI courses require separate registration and are not included in the fall conference registration fee.

October 3, 2019, Niagara Falls, ON: Hands-on Workshops at the Fall Conference

Hands-on workshops are small group events where attendees will have a chance to interact closely with faculty and use materials related to one of the following topics:

- Supporting Self-Management
- Suturing, Biopsy and Bedside Sharp Debridement
- Ostomy Care 101

These three workshops are not WCI programs and their cost is not included in the general conference registration fee. To attend, participants must pay a separate fee and must be registered for the fall conference (see below).

October 3–6, Niagara Falls, ON: 2019 Wounds Canada Fall Conference

Driving Change in Wound Care

Canada's largest wound-related event—you won't want to miss it! Four days of stimulating sessions, networking opportunities, poster presentations and access to industry partners for health professionals from a variety of disciplines. Register [here](#).



The Wounds Canada Institute

The Wounds Canada Institute offers self-paced online and in-person learning opportunities for those wanting to improve their knowledge and skills in the areas of skin health and wound prevention and management. The formats and variety of programs, courses and events allow students to engage in the type of education best suited to their current level of expertise, specific interests, time availability and resources. For a complete list of programs currently offered, click [here](#).



October 6, 2019, Niagara Falls, ON: Skin and Wound Care for Unregulated Care Providers* (C100NNL)

Case studies and discussions will explore risk factors for skin damage, common prevention measures, presentation and causes of common types of skin damage such as pressure injuries, incontinence-associated dermatitis and foot fungus, and strategies for managing skin damage as an unregulated care provider.

*This WCI live event requires separate registration and is not included in the fall conference registration fee.

Details about these and other programs are listed on the [Wounds Canada](#) and [Wounds Canada Institute](#) websites. New WCI programs are added regularly, so check in often to see what's new.

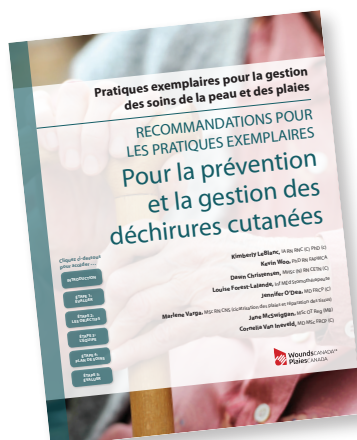
Wounds Canada Publications Best Practice Recommendations

Wounds Canada is publishing two BPRs in English this year: Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Venous Leg Ulcers and Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Arterial Ulcers. Stay tuned for more information about publication dates.

A French version of Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and

Management of Skin Tears
(Recommandations pour les
pratiques exemplaires pour
la prévention et la gestion
des déchirures cutanées)
has just been released and is
available for download [here](#).

To view the complete suite
of BPR documents, click [here](#).



Wound Care Canada

The next issue of *Wound Care Canada* is scheduled for release in November 2019. Don't miss an issue—click [here](#) to join our email list. To view archived issues of this publication, click [here](#).

Wounds Canada Foundation

Wounds Canada is pleased to announce the launch of its sister charity, the Wounds Canada Foundation. For more information about the foundation, see below.



Meet Jackie

Managing Director of the Wounds Canada Foundation

Wounds Canada is pleased to introduce Jackie Hickey, managing director of the new **Wounds Canada Foundation**. Jackie brings to the foundation a wealth of experience, enthusiasm and excellence, and we are delighted to have her on the team to launch and promote Wounds Canada's fundraising arm. (Look for upcoming announcements about the foundation, including the launch of the full website this fall.)



Jackie's experience includes more than 30 years in both public and private sector nursing, covering a range of disciplines: acute nursing, primary

care, community care and home-care nursing. She had her "aha" moment when she was a high school student at summer camp and met the inspirational camp nurse. Jackie knew then that she wanted to help people and that nursing was her calling.

Her most recent accomplishment is establishing a home health care start-up in the Cayman Islands, where she had to fulfill many roles and responsibilities.


Although challenging, the endeavour was also gratifying, as it successfully provided islanders with much-needed home care where none had previously existed.

Other rewarding health-care experiences included working for a medical supply company, in outreach at Ontario's Telehealth, and in social media marketing, as well as curating her own blog and even hosting a radio show. She is definitely a "Jackie of all trades," and a master at providing, facilitating and improving delivery of quality health care in any role.

"If you're not excited when you wake up in the morning to go to work, then you're in the wrong job. I found my niche and am very happy to be working in health care."

With this latest opportunity, Jackie foresees the fulfillment of three important foundation goals:

1. to build awareness about preventive care and wound healing among health-care practitioners and the public;
2. to provide easy access to wound research and education to make learning and fact-finding more streamlined for health-care practitioners, the community, partners, families, patients and their caregivers;
3. to be an advocate and support for the community, caregivers and patients.

For more information about the Wounds Canada Foundation, contact Jackie at jackie.hickey@woundscanadafoundation.ca. 

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