



# News in Wound Care

## Wounds Canada News

### Wounds Canada: Advancing Wound Care for 25 Years

2020 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Wounds Canada. Since 1995, Wounds Canada—which started life as the Canadian Association of Wound Care—has been advancing wound prevention and management across Canada and providing leadership around the world. Since that time, the



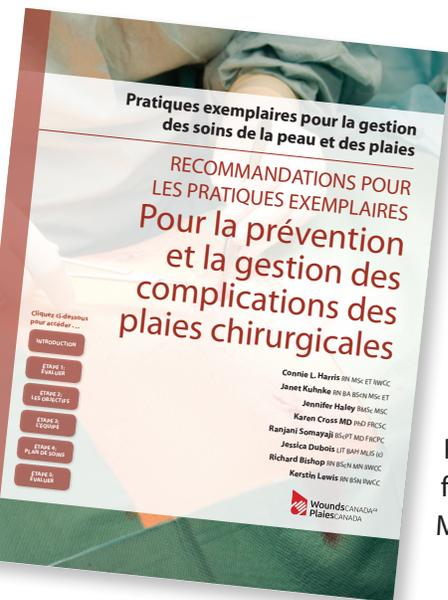
organization has grown significantly, from offering one conference aimed at health-care professionals

(HCPs) per year, to using multiple methods to provide education for HCPs, patients and their families, and policy makers, as well as engaging in awareness-raising and advocacy work on behalf of Canadians with wounds or at risk for wounds. Our resources, many of them free, are used by HCPs and patients around the world.

Despite current uncertainty, we are confident the future holds more opportunities, as we leverage new technology to reach more people with

the information they need to effectively prevent and manage wounds of all types.

**New Resource Available!**  
Pratiques exemplaires : La prévention et la gestion des complications des plaies chirurgicales (Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Surgical



Wound Complications) is now available online.

Stay tuned for 2020 releases of two new BPRs: Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Peripheral Arterial Ulcers and Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Moisture-associated Skin Damage.

### Wounds Canada Conference in Calgary, Alberta, April 2–3, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Wounds Canada has postponed its spring conference in Calgary, along with all associated activities: Wounds Canada Institute Skills lab for Local Wound Care (A100NWS), April 2; leadership summit, April 2; e-stim workshop, April 3. The Wounds Canada team is working with the leadership from Alberta Health Services and Covenant Health on rescheduling this important event. **Stay tuned for details about an alternative date in the fall.**

We thank you for your continued support and patience in these times.

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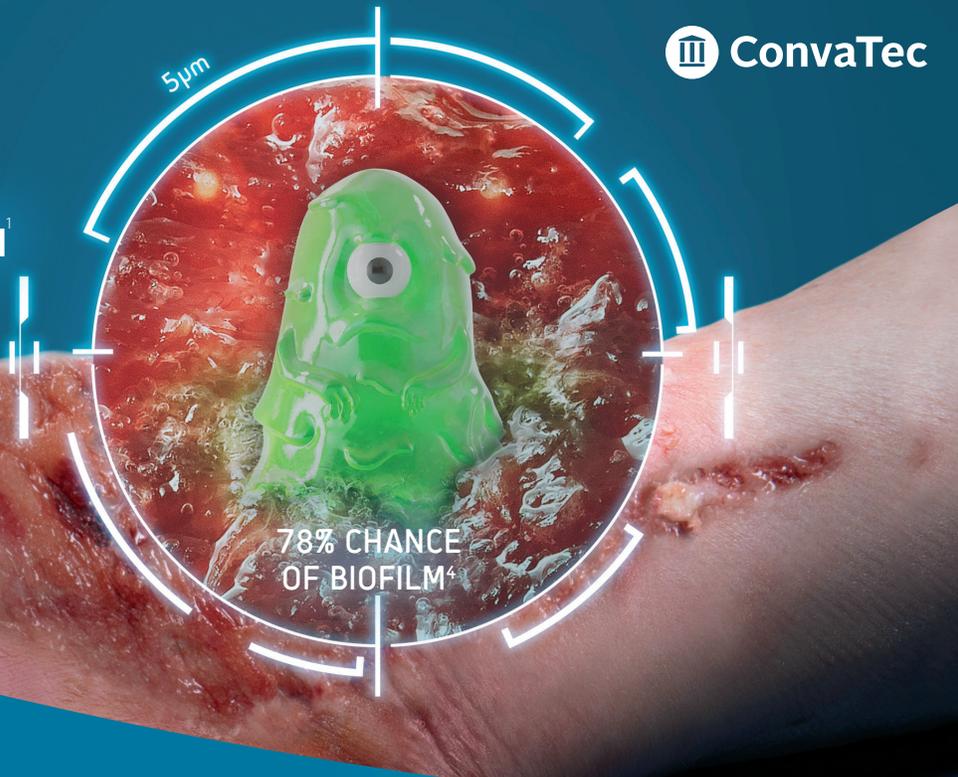


### Fall Conference in Toronto

Preparations for our fall conference, October 15–18, at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel in Toronto are ongoing, despite these uncertain times. We will continue to update you on the status of the event through eblasts and the Wounds Canada website. Please continue to check your email inbox for information.



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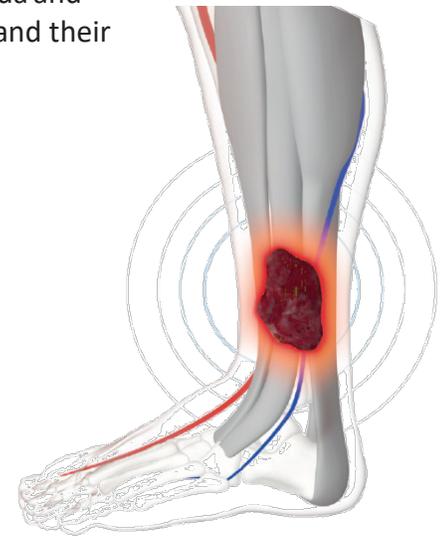
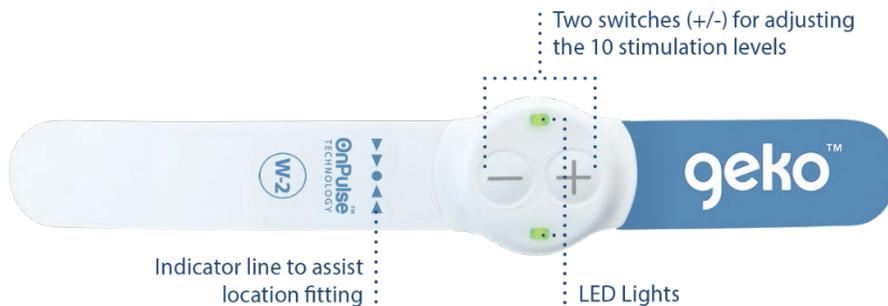
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## Lower Leg Ulcers

Wound management is a considerable burden on health systems, in Canada and elsewhere, significantly impacting health and quality of life of individuals and their families (CIHI Compromised Wounds in Canada, 2013).



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