



News in Wound Care

Wounds Canada News

Wounds Canada is off to a busy start in 2019, working on organizing conferences, publishing resources like Best Practice Recommendations and *Wound Care Canada*, adding educational programs to the online Wounds Canada Institute suite, and more! Keep reading for more information about each of these initiatives.

2019 Conferences and Other Live Educational Events

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

April 11, Halifax, NS: Skin and Wound Care for Unregulated Care Providers

An interactive half-day event that builds on the content of select Wounds Canada Best Practice Recommendations (BPR) documents. 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.

April 11, Halifax, NS: Focus on the Prevention and Management of Venous Leg Ulcers: Knowledge and Skills

An interactive one-day event that builds on the content of Wounds Canada's Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Treatment of Venous Leg Ulcers. This program provides the opportunity to refine fundamental skills relevant to the assessment and management of venous leg ulcers, such as ankle-brachial pressure index



testing, monofilament testing, gait assessment, assessment of ankle and leg range of motion (ROM), selection and application of compression wraps and garments and ROM exercises.

April 12–13, Halifax, NS: 2019 Wounds Canada Spring Conference

A two-day continuing education event designed to support health-care professionals from a variety of disciplines who work with patients with wounds or who are at risk for developing wounds, with sessions delivered by regional, national and international experts.



April 13, Halifax, NS: Wound Care for Primary Care Practitioners

An interactive half-day event that builds on the content of select Wounds Canada Best Practice Recommendation documents. Case studies and discussions will address differential diagnoses and common misdiagnoses as well as strategies for prevention and management for a variety of wound types.

May 31, Toronto, ON: New Perspectives in Diabetic Limb Preservation Symposium

A one-day learning event that will include sessions on the medical management of persons with diabetic foot ulcers, vascular considerations, infection, wound management, offloading, the challenges of renal patients and more, delivered by regional, national and international experts. This event is a joint venture between Wounds Canada and the Canadian Podiatric Medical Association and is supported by the Division of Vascular Surgery at the University of Toronto.

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

Canada's largest wound-related event; four days of sessions, networking opportunities, poster presentations and access to industry partners for health professionals from a variety of disciplines.



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

Wounds Canada Publications Best Practice Recommendations

A French version of Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Skin Tears has just been released and is available for download [here](#).

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.

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 June 2018. Don't miss an issue; [click here](#) to join our email list. To view archived issues of this publication, [click here](#).

The Wounds Canada Institute

The Wounds Canada Institute offers self-paced online and in-person learning opportunities for those wishing to improve their knowledge and skills in the areas of skin health



and wound prevention and management. The formats and variety of programs on offer 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](#).

NEW! Introducing Wounds Canada Institute's new program, Focus on the Prevention and Management of Skin Tears: Knowledge (A104MWN).

This program is aimed at nurses and allied health-care professionals. The program is based on the concepts and content in the Wounds Canada document, Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Skin Tears, and provides students with the most recent information in a form they can immediately use at the bedside.

This self-paced program, which includes two online modules and an interactive webinar, is now available on the [Institute website](#).

Coming soon! Online version of Wound Care for Primary Care Practitioners

An online version of our popular Wound Care for Primary Care Practitioners, allowing busy professionals to access the modules any time from anywhere, is in the works. Stay tuned for launch date.

