



# NATIONAL CONFERENCE HYBRID AGENDA

## OCTOBER 2-4, 2025 | TORONTO, ONTARIO

Wounds Canada 30 Years:  
Celebrate the Past, Champion the Present, Envision the Future



Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025  
Theme of the Day: Celebrating 30 Years

TIME	Plenary Stream HYBRID Metro West Ballroom	Second Stream IN PERSON Pier 2/3	Third Stream HANDS ON - IN PERSON Marine Room
7:00 - 8:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast		
8:00 - 8:20 am	<div>Welcome</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div>Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN</div> <div>Robyn Evans, BSc MD CCFP FCFP</div> <div></div>		
8:20 - 9:05 am	<div>Celebrating 30 Years as the Voice for Skin Health and Wound Care in Canada</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div></div> <div>Moderator:</div> <div>Marc Kealey, BA CCM</div> <div></div> <div>Thirty Years of Vision, Action and Impact</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div>Douglas Queen, BSc PhD MBA</div> <div></div>		
9:15 - 10:15 am	Sponsored Learning: COLOPLAST		
10:25 - 11:25 am	Sponsored Learning: ESSITY		
11:35 am - 12:05 pm	<div>Focus on Europe: Advancements and Advocacy in Skin and Wound Care</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div>Andrea Pokorná, PhD RN</div> <div>EWMA Scientific Recorder</div> <div></div> <div>Moderator:</div> <div>Bernadette Mitchell-Mcdonald, RN BComm IIWCC MSc</div> <div></div>		
12:15 - 12:45 pm	Lunch		
12:45 - 1:45 pm	Sponsored learning: URGO		
1:55 - 2:55 pm	Sponsored learning: TECH PRESENTATIONS		
3:05 - 3:20 pm	<div>Celebrating Our Scholarship and Research Grant Recipients</div> <div>Presenter:</div> <div>Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN</div> <div></div>		
3:20 - 3:50 pm	<div>Empowering Patients: Presenting the Patient Bill of Rights and Responsibilities</div> <div>Presenter:</div> <div>Idevania Costa, RN NSWOC MN PhD</div> <div></div> <div>Moderator:</div> <div>Andrew Springer, BSc DCh DE WCC(c) FRSH</div> <div></div>		
4:00 - 5:00 pm	Sponsored learning:		
5:00 - 7:00 pm	<div>GRAND OPENING EXHIBIT SHOWCASE Metro Centre/East Ballrooms</div> <div>POLICY CAFÉ Metro Centre/East Ballrooms</div> <div>POSTER CAFÉ Ballroom Foyer</div>		



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Friday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025			
Theme of the Day: Interprofessional Team Practice in Skin Health and Wound Care			
TIME	Plenary Stream HYBRID Metro West Ballroom	Second Stream IN PERSON Pier 2/3	Third Stream HANDS ON - IN PERSON Marine Room
7:00 - 7:30 am	Continental Breakfast		
7:30 - 8:30 am	Sponsored learning: CONVATEC		
8:40 - 9:00 am	<div>Welcome</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div>Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN</div> <div>Robyn Evans, BSc MD CCFP FCFP</div> <div></div>		
9:00 - 10:00 am	<div>Stronger Together: Collaborative Primary Care in Action</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div>Valerie Grdisa, CAN CEO</div> <div>Bolu Ogunyemi, President-elect CMA</div> <div></div> <div>Moderator:</div> <div>Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN</div> <div></div>		
10:15 - 11:00 am	<div>Pressure Injury Case Study: A Wholistic Perspective on Assessment, Prevention and Management</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div>Alan Rogers, MBChB FC Plast Surg (SA) MMed MSc FRCSI FACS</div> <div>Rebecca Dyck, RN BScN MCISc-WH NSWOC WOCC(C)</div> <div>Ellen Mackay, RD MSc CDE</div> <div></div>	<div>Preventing Diabetic Foot Ulcers: Insights from a Case Study</div> <div>Presenters:</div> <div>Adaora Moneme, RPN AFCN</div> <div></div> <div>Moderator:</div> <div>Elliot To, BSc D.Ch MCISc-WH IIWCC</div> <div></div>	<div>Planning the Cover-up: Evidence-based Pearls to Guide Dressing Decisions</div> <div>Registration required</div> <div>Maximum 50 participants</div> <div>No fee</div> <div>Facilitators:</div> <div>Helen Arputhanathan, MSc Wound Care (Australia) BScN RN IIWCC NSWOC WOCC(C)</div> <div>Anne Shantz, RN BScN MCIScWH NSWOC</div> <div>Joumana Fawaz, Clinical Nurse Specialist</div> <div></div>
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12:30 - 1:00 pm	Lunch		
1:00 - 2:00 pm	Sponsored Session: PERFUSE		












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2:15 - 3:00 pm	<p><b>Evidence-based approach to the management of chronic wound infections</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Paul Bunce</b>, MA MD FRCPC</p>  <p>Moderator: <b>Rosemary Hill</b>, BSN CWOCN FNSWOC WOCC(C)</p> 	<p><b>Understanding Geriatric Skin and Related Complications</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Gary Sibbald</b>, BSc MD FRCPC (Med, Derm) MACP FAAD Med FAPWCA DSc. (Hons)</p>  <p>Moderator: <b>Pat Coutts</b>, RN IIWCC (CAN)</p> 	<div> <b>Wounds</b><small>CANADA</small> Institute</div> <p><b>Wound Debridement: The How, The When and The Why</b></p> <p><i>Pre-requisite required: Best Practice Approach to Skin Health and Wound Management: Knowledge (A100MNN), SHARP, WCCP, IIWCC, SWAN, NSWOC or Master's in Wound Healing</i></p> <p><i>Registration required Maximum 50 participants No fee</i></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Robyn Evans</b>, BSc MD CCFP FCFP <b>Sheena Fortuna</b>, RN MN <b>Sunita Coelho</b>, BSN RN <b>Elliot To</b>, IIWCC</p> <div></div>
3:00 - 4:15 pm	<p><b>EXHIBIT SHOWCASE</b> Metro Centre/East Ballrooms</p> <p><b>POLICY CAFÉ</b> Metro Centre/East Ballrooms</p> <p><b>POSTER CAFÉ</b> Ballroom Foyer</p>		
4:15 - 5:00 pm	<p><b>Innovations in Wound Care Education</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Irmajean Bajnok</b>, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN <b>Janet L. Kuhnke</b>, RN BA BScN M NSWOC DrPsychology</p> <div></div> <p>Moderator: TBD</p> 	<p><b>Spotlight on the Patient in Patient Education</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Anne Shantz</b>, RN BScN MCIScWH NSWOC Patient</p> <div></div> <p>Moderator: <b>Linda Moss</b>, Patient and Caregiver Advocatwe</p> 	
5:00 - 6:00 pm	<p><b>Implementing Skin Integrity RSPs: Steps to Success for Your Facility</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Sandra Young</b>, HSO Managing Director, Health Standards <b>Charlene Brosinsky</b>, RN BSN <b>Maryanne D'Arpino</b>, RN, BScN, MScN, CHE <b>Jane McSwiggan</b>, MSc, OT Reg.(MB), IIWCC</p> <div></div> <p>Moderator: <b>Irmajean Bajnok</b>, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN</p> 		
8:30 - 10:30 pm	<p><b>Social Event and Silent Auction</b> Regatta Room</p> <p><b>Trivia Game – A 30-Year Retrospective of Wounds Canada</b></p>		

JOIN US FOR THE PARTY!  
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WOUNDS CANADA  
DJ WITH DANCING • TRIVIA GAME • WIN PRIZES • PHOTO BOOTH







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7:00 - 7:30 am	Continental Breakfast		
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8:45 - 9:00 am	<b>Welcome</b>  Presenters: Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN 		<b>Advancing Skin Health and Wound Care: A Practical Guide for Primary Care</b>  <i>Pre-requisite: MD or NP qualifications</i>  <i>Registration required</i> <i>Maximum 50 participants</i> <i>No fee</i>  Presenters: Karen Chien, MD MSc CCFP (COE,PC) FCFP IIWCC Robyn Evans, BSc MD CCFP FCFP Sheena Fortuna, RN MN   
9:00 - 9:45 am	<b>Leadership in Action: Prioritizing Health Issues Across Systems</b>  Presenters: Cindy MacQuarrie, PhD, VON Chief Nursing Officer Sue Owen, CEO Canadian Council of Health Leaders (CCHL)  		Moderator: TBD 
10:00 - 10:45 am	<b>Secrets to Success in Building your Skin Health and Wound Care Toolkit</b>  Presenters: Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN Holly Calliou, RN BScN    Moderator: Anne Shantz, RN BScN MCIScWH NSWOC 	<b>Conquering Burnout Together: Leveraging Support from Colleagues, Networks, and Experts</b>  Presenters: Rosanra Yoon, PhD NP   Moderator: Ellen Mackay, RD MSc CDE 	
10:45 am - 12:15 pm	<b>EXHIBIT SHOWCASE</b> Metro Centre/East Ballrooms  <b>POLICY CAFÉ</b> Metro Centre/East Ballrooms  <b>POSTER CAFÉ</b> Ballroom Foyer		
12:15 - 12:45 pm	Lunch		
12:45 - 1:45 pm	Sponsored Learning: SOLVENTUM		
2:00 - 2:30 pm	<b>Facing Tomorrow: Tackling Demographics, Complexities and Workforce Challenges in Healthcare</b>  Presenters: Karima Velji, RN PHD CHE FCAN 		Moderator: Mariam Botros, DCh DE IIWCC MED 





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2:45 - 3:30 pm	<p><b>Canada Innovates: Showcasing Cross Country Ideas, Actions and Outcomes</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Joel Alleyne</b> <b>Ronni Bellefontaine</b>, RN BScN <b>Joumana Fawaz</b>, Clinical Nurse Specialist</p> <div></div> <p>Moderator: <b>Petra O’Connell</b>, BSc, MHSA</p> <div></div>	<p><b>The Colour of Your Skin Matters: Impacts on Wound Care Practice</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Rebecca Dyck</b>, RN BScN MCISc-WH NSWOC WOCC(C) <b>Nyechuor Deng</b></p> <div></div> <p>Moderator: <b>Tobi Mark</b></p> <div></div>	<p><b>Because it Works: Embracing a Systematic Approach to Wound Care</b></p> <p><i>Registration required Maximum 50 participants No fee</i></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Crystal McCallum</b>, MCISc-WH BScN RN <b>Michele Labbie</b>, RN MN NP <b>Patricia Coutts</b>, RN IIWCC (CAN)</p> <div></div>
3:45 - 4:15 pm	<p><b>Evidence-based Approach to the Management of Hidradenitis Suppurativa</b></p> <p>Presenter: <b>David Croitoru</b>, MD MSc FRCPC DABD</p> <div></div> <p>Moderator: <b>Robyn Evans</b>, BSc MD CCFP FCFP</p> <div></div>	<p><b>Skin and Wound Care for the Unsheltered: Addressing Unique Challenges and Needs</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Janet L. Kuhnke</b>, RN BA BScN M NSWOC DrPsychology <b>Erin Telegdi</b>, RN</p> <div></div> <p>Moderator: <b>Virginie Blanchette</b>, BSc, MSc, DPM, PhD</p> <div></div>	
4:30 - 4:45 pm	<p><b>Wounds Canada and You: Building Our Voices and Impact Over the Next 30 Years</b></p> <p>Presenters: <b>Irmajean Bajnok</b>, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN <b>Robyn Evans</b>, BSc MD CCFP FCFP</p> <div></div>		