



2026 WOUNDS CANADA NATIONAL CONFERENCE AGENDA

Transforming Wound Care Together: The Power of Connection

October 22 - 24, 2026 | Fallsview Casino Resort, Niagara Falls, ON

Thursday, October 22nd, 2026
Sponsors' Spotlight Sessions

TIME	Plenary Stream IN PERSON and VIRTUAL SESSIONS Fallsview Casino Resort Grand Hall AB		
7:00 - 8:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast Grand Hall Foyer		
8:00 - 8:20 am	Welcome Presenters: Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN Mariam Botros, DCh DE IIWCC MEd, CEO Wounds Canada		
8:20 - 9:05 am	Keynote – AI in Health Care Presenter: Muhammad Mamdani, PharmD MA MPH Moderator: Gregg Brown, MSc PMP CTDP		
9:15 - 10:15 am Sponsored Learning	Sponsored Learning: COLOPLAST Presenter:  TBD, Moderator: TBD,		
10:25 - 11:25 am Sponsored Learning	Sponsored Learning: ESSITY Presenter:  TBD, Moderator: TBD,		
11:35 - 12:20 pm	Reflecting the Quintuple Aim in a Challenging Health Care Environment: Is It Possible In Skin Health and Wound Care? Presenters: John Hwang, MD FRCSC Karima Velji, RN PHD CHE FCAN Irmajean Bajnok, RN BSc MScN PhD FCAN FAAN Moderator:		
12:30 - 1:00 pm	Lunch		
1:00 - 2:00 pm Sponsored Learning	Sponsored Learning: URGO Presenter:  TBD, Moderator: TBD,		
2:10 - 2:30 pm Sponsored Learning	NanoSALV Explained: Science, Healing, National Consensus and What’s Next Presenter:  Megan Leslie, Eric Fung, MD FRCSC Douglas Queen, BSc PhD MBA Moderator:		
2:35 - 2:50 pm	Celebrating Our Scholarship & Research Award Recipients Presenter: Rosemary Hill, BSN CWO CN NSWOC WOCC(C) FNSWOC		
3:00 - 4:00 pm Sponsored Learning	Sponsored Learning: Perfuse Presenter:  TBD, Moderator: TBD,		
4:00 - 6:15 pm	GRAND OPENING EXHIBIT HALL Grand Hall CDE	POSTER CAFÉ Grand Hall Foyer	POLICY CAFÉ TBC
6:00 - 8:00 pm Maple Room	Electrical Stimulation Therapy (E-Stim) to Promote Healing of Complex Wounds Facilitators: Pamela Houghton, PT PhD Lyndsay Orr, PT MCISc-WH PhD Deirdre Drombolis -O’Sullivan, BScPT MCISc (Wound Healing)		



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8:40 - 8:55 am	Welcome Presenter:  Joumana Fawaz, Clinical Nurse Specialist  Ellen Mackay, Dietitian MSc CDE		
8:55 - 9:05 am	Greetings Presenter: TBD,		
9:05 - 9:50 am	Is it Skin Failure or a Pressure Injury? Presenter:  Joyce M. Black, PhD RN FAAN CWS Moderator:  Ann Elford, RN MSN CHPCNc		
9:50 - 10:35 am	What’s New in Diabetes? Overview of the New Treatment Tools and Impact on the Diabetic Foot Presenter:  Jeremy Gilbert, MD FRCPC Moderator:  Robyn Evans, BSc MD CCFP FCFP		
10:45 - 11:30 am	Complications of Antibiotic Use and Possible Solutions Moderator:  Susie Jin, RPh CDE CRE Presenter:  Paul Bunce, MA MD FRCPC	Practical Tips and Tricks in Offloading for Diabetic Foot Presenters:  Linda Laakso, MSc CO(c) FCBC AWCCP  Brian Scharfstein, CPed (C)  Eliot To, DCh MHA(CC) MCISc-WH	Tackling Burnout from the Individual and Organizational Perspective Moderator:  Jeremy Caul, RN BScN MCISc-WH CDE Presenters:  Sandra Tadros, RPh MSCP FIS PTS HEWL  Rosanra Yoon, PhD MN NP
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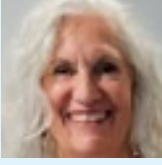
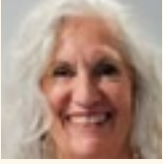
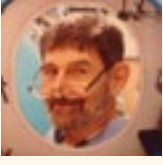
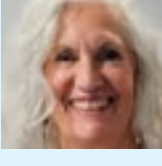
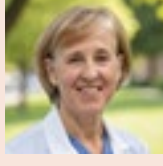
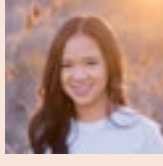


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2:40 - 3:25 pm	Triple Threat: Inflammatory Wounds, Malignant Wounds Vascular Insufficiency Moderator:  Andrew Springer, BSc DCh DE AWCCP FRSH Presenter:  David Croitoru, MSc MD FRCSC DABD	Wound Care for Unsheltered Persons Moderator:  Anne Shantz, RN BScN MCIScWH NSWOC Presenters:  Karen Burton,  Sarah Rice, RNEC MScN NP	Clinical Wound Photography: Tips and Techniques Moderator:  Deirdre Drombolis -O'Sullivan, BScPT MCISc (Wound Healing) Presenter:  Rob Fraser, MN NSWOC WCC(C) RN
3:25 - 4:30 pm	EXHIBIT HALL Grand Hall CDE	POSTER CAFÉ Grand Hall Foyer	POLICY CAFÉ Maple Room
3:30 pm			
4:30 - 5:15 pm	The Role of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy in Wound Management Co-moderators:  Anne Shantz, RN BScN MCIScWH NSWOC  Punkuj Chawla, MD Presenter:  George Harpur, MD  Tara Harpur, NP	Built for Better Flow: Practical Skills in Lymphedema Management (4:30 - 6:15 pm) Facilitators:  TBD  Jean LaMantia, RD  Anne Shantz, RN BScN MCIScWH NSWOC	Wound Debridement: The How, The When and The Why (3:30 - 6:30 pm) Facilitators:  Sunita Coelho, BSN RN IIWCC  Robyn Evans, BSc MD CCFP FCFP  Sheena Fortuna, RN MN NP-PHC  Eliot To, DCh MHA(CC) MCISc-WH
6:15 pm			
6:30 pm			

7:30 - 9:30 pm **Social Event, Trivia and Raffle**
Hilton Hotel, Angel Falls Ballroom



Meet ‘n Mingle at our Social Event

Friday, October 3 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Hilton Hotel, Angel Falls Ballroom

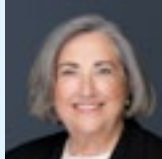
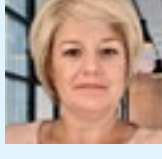
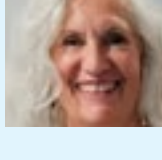


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8:45 – 9:00 am	Welcome Presenter:  Helen Arputhanathan, MSc Wound Care (Australia) BScN RN IIWCC NSWOC WOCC(C)  Andrew Springer, BSc DCh DE AWCCP FRSH		Advancing Skin Health and Wound Care: A Practical Guide for Primary Care (8:45 - 10:45 am) Facilitators:  Karen Chien, MD MSc CCFP (PC, COE) FCFP IIWCC  Robyn Evans, BSc MD CCFP FCFP  Sheena Fortuna, RN MN NP-PHC
9:00 – 10:00 am	Best Practices in Resource-Constrained Settings Moderator:  TBD, Presenter:  Jeremy Caul, RN BScN MCISc-WH CDE  Deirdre Drombolis -O'Sullivan, BScPT MCISc (Wound Healing)	Dressings for Success (9:00 - 10:45 am) Facilitators:  Helen Arputhanathan, MSc Wound Care (Australia) BScN RN IIWCC NSWOC WOCC(C)  Patricia Coutts, RN IIWCC (CAN)  Joumana Fawaz, Clinical Nurse Specialist  Crystal McCallum, MCISc-WH BScN RN  Jackie Savoie, RN MSN WOCN  Anne Shantz, RN BScN MCIScWH NSWOC	
10:00 – 10:45 am	Acute Limb Ischemia: Awareness, Rapid Recognition, and Interprofessional Care Moderator:  Lyndsay Orr, PT MCISc-WH PhD Presenter:  John R. Coates, BSc MD CCFP FCFP		
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1:50 - 2:35 pm

CQI in Wound Care: Embedding Skin Health and Wound Care in Your Organization

Presenters:



Irmajean Bajnok,
RN BSc MScN PhD
FCAN FAAN



John Hwang,
MD FRCSC

Moderator:



Crystal McCallum,
MCISc-WH BScN
RN

2:40 - 2:50 pm

Poster Award Announcements

Presenter:



Jérôme Patry,
DPM MD CCMF MSc

2:55 - 3:55 pm

Top Tips for Pressure Injury Management

Presenters:



Kaylem Boileau,
RD HBSc BASc
MHSc IIWCC-CAN



Paul Bunce,
MA MD FRCPC

Moderator:



Robyn Evans,
BSc MD CCFP FCFP



**Deirdre Drombolis
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Sheena Fortuna,
RN MN NP-PHC

3:55 - 4:10 pm

Wounds Canada and You - Concluding Remarks

Presenter:



Irmajean Bajnok,
RN BSc MScN PhD
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