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INNOVATION IN WOUND CARE
From extending the boundaries of wound care practice to setting up new services that improve patient care, health-care professionals and researchers are developing innovative services to problems in wound care. This award is open to individuals or teams who have demonstrated an innovative, novel approach to an existing challenge in wound care.

INNOVATION IN DIABETIC FOOT CARE
With an amputation due to a diabetic foot ulcer every 20 seconds the prevention and treatment of these wounds has never been more important. This award is open to all those who have contributed to reducing these

INNOVATION IN SURGICAL SITE INFECTION
Surgical site infection is a life threatening problem, and with increased antibiotic resistance novel strategies to combat the infection are required. This award is to recognise the efforts of nurses, clinicians and researchers whose work has made a significant impact in the prognosis, diagnosis, prevention or treatment of surgical site infection.

INNOVATION IN TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN RESEARCH
This category is open to all those whose research with innovative technologies leading to advances in wound care and improved patient outcomes.

CONTRIBUTION TO CLINICAL OR PRECLINICAL RESEARCH
From bench to bedside, development, scientific research and evidence-based medicine are the cornerstones on which improvements in wound care are made. This award is open to nomination based on either preclinical and clinical research, who have made a major contribution in the last four years.

THE RISING STAR
In association with the WUWHS new rising star category, three rising stars will be shortlisted and invited to present a three minute presentation of their work at the awards event. Following voting from the audience the winner will be announced at the end of ceremony.

INNOVATION IN SKIN INTEGRITY
Prevention and early intervention is key to stopping minor problems with skin integrity becoming hard-to-heal wounds, particularly in the elderly. This award is open to all those whose work or practice has helped reduce the incidence or enhanced our knowledge problems with skin integrity, such as skin tears

CONTRIBUTION TO EDUCATION IN WOUND CARE
Education health providers of all levels along with patients and/or carers a huge role in both prevention and treatment of different wound types. From pressure ulcer prevention strategies to assessment for a complex wound, education is essential. This award is for those whose contribution to education over the past 4 years has had a major impact in their field.

ADVANCES IN PRESSURE CARE
Many pressure ulcers are preventable. Finding ways to reduce these starts with researchers, working to determine the aetiology of pressure ulcers, leading to pressure ulcer prevention, an extremely important area of wound care. Health professionals working in this area have a crucial role in developing strategies that reduced pressure ulcer incidence. This award is open to those undertaking basic research along with health-professionals designing and implementing pressure ulcer prevention programmes. As well as those using innovative methods to treat pressure ulcers.

MOST PROGRESSIVE SOCIETY
This award is open to supporting and sister societies who have made a big impact on wound care in the last four years.

COST-EFFECTIVE WOUND MANAGEMENT
Wound care, treatment and prevention consumes large quantities of resources in terms of disposables, equipment and nursing time; however, there is still little objective evaluation of the economic burden of wound care on health services. Furthermore, health service costs may inadequately describe the total cost of care, as this burden falls increasingly outside the formal health services and onto patients and their families. This category is open to any clinician or team who, through management initiatives, have demonstrated cost-effective wound care, or to health economists and researchers, who have helped to highlight the issues faced or proposed ways to address them.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN PATIENT CARE
Patient care is at the heart of wound healing. Whether through education, clinical practice or research, understanding a patient’s needs and designing patient-centred care, improves quality of life and aids healing. This award is open to those who have made an outstanding contribution to any area of wound care putting patient care at the centre of their work.

ADVANCES IN INFECTION AND BIOFILM
Infection and biofilm can delay healing and are associated with hard-to-heal wounds. Hence prevention and control is deservedly high on the agenda for patients, health professionals and decision makers. This award is open to researchers and health professionals who have made a major contribution to understanding, practice or prevention of this complex area.

MOST INNOVATIVE DRESSING OR DEVICE
Companies are invited to nominate a dressing or device that they believe has altered wound care facilitating healing and while being cost-effective. Must be available in at least three territories. This award will be judged by an independent panel of board members and key opinion leaders.

EXCELLENCE IN COMPRESSION AND MLD
Health professionals working in the field are clear that venous and lymphatic disorders and their gold-standard treatment, compression, demand a higher profile within tissue viability, and that everyone has the right to accessible and effective treatment. This award celebrates health professionals who have made an outstanding contribution to their clinical practice or area of research.

Nominees can be individuals or a group

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