



Press Release

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2019 WOCNCB® Employer Recognition Award Winner is Christiana Care Health System Recognized for Unyielding Support for Professional CWOCN® Certification

Milwaukee, WI – June 24, 2019 - The Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing Certification Board (WOCNCB®) proudly welcomes the Christiana Care Health System to the renowned list of Employer Recognition Award winners! This award is given annually to honor an organization that has demonstrated exemplary support of the certification process in WOC nursing. Chosen from numerous candidates, Christiana Care Health System, located in Newark, Delaware, displays encouragement of advancement to all nurses within the organization seeking national specialty certification. The award was presented in Nashville, Tennessee at the Music City Center as part of the WOCNext® 2019, the WOCN Society's Annual Conference.

Christiana Care Health System is a level 1 trauma center with 1200 beds, employing eight CWOCN®s. The facility actively encourages and provides financial support for WOC education, CWOCN® certification and re-certification. The CWOCN team has the opportunity to attend national and local conferences to continue to focus on evidence based practice.

In addition, CWOCN®s are able to share and provide input with their expertise in a variety of ways that impact the facility and patients:

- Evaluation and standardization of incontinence care to match the current best practice and provide education to staff
- Evaluated and piloted new method of wound photography—standardization of skin documentation in Electronic Medical Records (EMR) across the health system
- Ostomy Center run by CWOCN team provides free community service and education to ostomates
- Conduct unit rounding for pressure injury prevention, providing education to unit nurses and leadership
- Adding a WTA Course Coordinator, extending the CWOCN team with 8 Wound Treatment Associate-Certified (WTA-C®) and more expected to become certified
- CWOCN team educates all new nurses and nurse extenders through lectures during orientation
- CWOCN team provides education to new Residents, Plastic Surgery Physician Assistants, wound care center Nurse Practitioner orientation
- Provides prevention of acute pressure injuries in acute spinal cord injured patients and tracheostomy patients

Christiana Care Health System encourages the CWOCN team to share knowledge, support colleagues from other disciplines, and most importantly, improve patient care and outcomes.

About the WOCNCB®

Founded in 1978, WOCNCB® is a not-for-profit professional, international nursing organization certifying over 8,800 registered nurses who are specialists in the field of wound, ostomy, continence and foot care. WOCNCB® has Board Certified nurses in Canada, South Korea, Japan, Malaysia, the United Kingdom and Saudi Arabia.

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