

Press Release

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WOCNCB Certified Nurses Receive Awards

WOCNCB Certificants Recognized at 2011 43rd Annual WOCN Conference in New Orleans

Milwaukee, WI August 12, 2011 The Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing Certification Board WOCNCB[®] is pleased to congratulate four certificants who received awards at the 2011 43rd Annual WOCN Conference in New Orleans.

- Lindsay McCrea, PhD, RN, FNP-BC, CWOCN and her colleagues received the Research Manuscript Award in recognition for a manuscript entitled "Age Difference in Patients Evaluated for Constipation: Constipation Characteristics, Symptoms, and Bowel and Dietary Habits".
- Amira Kehoe, MBA, RN, CWCN and her colleagues received the Clinical Practice Manuscript Award in recognition for a manuscript entitled "Results of a Clinician-Led Evidence-Based Task Force Initiative Relating to Pressure Ulcer Risk Assessment and Prevention".
- Mary Malone, BSN, RN, CWOCN received the UOAA Nurse of the Year Award. The award is given annually by the United Ostomy Association of America (UOAA) to an outstanding ostomy nurse (also known as Enterostomal Therapy nurse) who is nominated for recognition by the members of local ostomy support groups.
- Barbara Hocevar, BSN, RN, CWOCN was recognized for her invaluable contributions to the specialty as the Ostomy Editor for the Journal of Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing from January 2006 through December 2011.
- Heidi H. Cross, RN, MSN, FNP-BC, CWOCN, was honored with the 2011 WOC Nurse Great Comebacks[®] Award at the 2011 43rd Annual Conference in New Orleans. According to a press release from award sponsor ConvaTek, Inc., the award is given annually to a WOC nurse who has provided exceptional care to help patients after ostomy surgery.

"The WOCNCB is proud to recognize the achievements of its own registered nurses who exemplify the WOCNCB mission by making outstanding contributions to patient care and safety," explains Diana L. Gallagher, MS, RN, CWOCN, CFCN, CHT, president of the WOCNCB. "These nurses are role models for all nurses practicing in wound, ostomy and continence care."

About the WOCNCB

The Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing Certification Board is a professional organization dedicated to providing consumer safety and protection by offering credentialing in the areas of wound, ostomy, continence and foot care nursing to registered nurses who meet WOCNCB's stringent qualifications and pass its certification examination. WOCNCB certified nurses provide quality care to patients in a variety of settings, including hospitals, long-term care facilities, and home healthcare. Today, nearly 6,500 WOCNCB certified nurses are practicing in the United States, Canada, South Korea, Japan, Malaysia, the United Kingdom and Saudi Arabia. The WOCNCB's wound, ostomy and continence certifications are accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) and the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification (ABNSC). For more information, contact the WOCNCB at (888) 496-2622, e-mail marketingmanager@wocncb.org, or visit www.wocncb.org.



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