

## **News Release**

## **WOCNCB™** to offer credentialing to Canadian WOC (ET) nurses

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The Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nursing Certification Board (WOCNCB™) announces that Canadian nurses who specialize in wound, ostomy, and/or continence (WOC) nursing may take the WOC certification exams to obtain credentials in their field.

To be eligible to take the credentialing exams nurses must:

- Be currently licensed as a Registered Nurse
- Hold a baccalaureate degree
- Fulfill ONE of the following requirements:
  - 1. Accredited Education Program Track (Complete a WOC Nursing Education Program that is accredited by WOCN.)
  - Graduate Level Track (Complete a graduate-level program in nursing with documentation of graduate clinical course work equivalent to two semester hours in each specialty for which certification is sought.)
  - 3. Experiential Track
    (Have 50 contact hours (CEU) over the last five years within each specialty for which certification is sought. And, have 1,500 clinical experience hours over the last five years within each specialty for which certification is sought.)

Test sites are located in Calgary, AB; Kelowna, BC; Montreal, QB; Sherwood Park, AB; Toronto, ON; Windsor, ON; and Halifax, NS.

The WOCNCB™ is dedicated to providing consumer safety and protection by certifying nurses who specialize in wound, ostomy, and continence care and have the skills and knowledge necessary to pass the certification exams. Certification must be re-established every five years. The WOCNCB™ has certified more than 4,200 nurses in the United States.

For more information, contact the WOCNCB™, (888) 496-2622, <u>info@wocncb.org</u> or visit the <u>www.wocncb.org</u> website. Or, contact AMP at (913) 541-0400 to request an examination handbook.



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