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Milwaukee, WI November 1, 2009 As part of the Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing Certification Board's (WOCNCB®) mission to promote the highest standard of consumer care and safety, the WOCNCB announces a scholarship to the 2010 Nurse in Washington Internship (NIWI). The scholarship is open to any current WOCNCB-certified nurse who is not currently serving on the WOCNCB board of directors and who has never attended NIWI.

“Health care reform has become of paramount importance to this board, our certificants and the entire nation,” says Patricia Gable Burke, president of the WOCNCB board of directors. “By sponsoring a NIWI scholarship, we empower the scholarship winner to participate in important dialogs about patient care and healthcare reform.” The WOCNCB scholarship includes internship registration, travel to Washington, D.C., lodging expenses, and a stipend for meals.

The WOCNCB NIWI scholarship application process is open now and will conclude at 11:59 p.m. Central Time on December 31, 2009. The application and more information are available at www.wocncb.org/NIWI.

The Nurse in Washington Internship is an annual project of the Nursing Organizations Alliance (www.nursing-alliance.org) designed to inform nurses about the legislative process. The 2010 program takes place March 14 through 16, 2010.

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. The WOCNCB has certified more than 5,800 nurses worldwide. The WOCNCB is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies and the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification, formerly the accreditation committee of the American Board of Specialty Nursing (ABNS). For more information, contact the WOCNCB at (888) 496-2622, e-mail marketingmanager@wocncb.org, or visit www.wocncb.org.