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**Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing Certification Board (WOCNCB®)
Receives Accreditation of its Wound Treatment Associate-Certified® (WTA-C®)
credential from the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) and is ANCC
Magnet-Accepted.**

WASHINGTON (September 30) The NCCA accredited the Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing Certification Board (WOCNCB) Wound Treatment Associate-Certified (WTA-C) certification program during its recent meeting.

Founded in 1978, WOCNCB is a not-for-profit professional, international nursing organization certifying over 10,000 nurses who are specialists in the fields of wound, ostomy, continence and foot care. WOCNCB has Board Certified nurses in Canada, South Korea, Japan, Malaysia, the United Kingdom and Saudi Arabia.

“Accreditation by NCCA offers important assurances to nurses, their employers, patients, and families that—based on a rigorous and independent accreditation process— the WTA-C certification program meets or exceeds the highest quality standards and is Magnet-accepted. WTA-C joins WOCNCB®’s other accredited and ANCC Magnet-accepted certifications: CWOCN®, CWON®, CWCN®, COCN®, CCCN®, CFCN® that are considered the Gold Standard for Certification®. Achieving national accreditation underscores WOCNCB’s commitment to offering high-value credentials that recognize the expertise of wound, ostomy, continence and foot care nurses, and promote their continued evidence-based practice.”

– Cindy Lemek, CAE, ICE-CCP, Executive Director WOCNCB

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