CNC – Belgium

CNC (Clinical Nursing Consulting) is a leading Belgian wound management organisation open to membership from nurses, doctors and any other wound care specialist in other domains who wants to contribute to a better wound management. Together with its sister organisation Afiscep (Association Francophone d’Infirmiers(ères) en Stomatothérapie, Cicatrisation et Plaie) CNC forms BeFeWo (Belgian Federation of Wound care). CNC is one of EWMA’s cooperating organisations. You can find us on www.wondzorg.be or www.woundcare.be.

CNC’s first and most important goal is bringing together nurses, nurse specialists, reference nurses, dermatologists, surgeons and general practitioners to gather their knowledge and skills and to disseminate this knowledge as widely as possible within the group in order to build a firm base for quality wound care. CNC achieves this goal through the organisation of various training and educational programmes, in collaboration with the Centre for continuing education (CNPV) and several specialised Colleges and Universities.

In addition to its training and educational programmes CNC organises meetings and conferences for nurses and doctors:

CNC Congres Genk
Genk, Ziekenhuis Oost Limburg 07/02/2012

Vlaams Congres Wondzorg CNC
Congrescentrum Kortrijk 16-17/02/2012

Week van de verpleging – NVKVV*
Congrescentrum Oostende 19-23/03/2012

BEFEWO (together with AFISCEP), Cultureel Centrum Ukkel October 2012

(*wound care programme)

CNC currently works together with specialists of KCE (Belgian Healthcare Knowledge Center) to develop scientific, validated guidelines for the prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers, one of the important issues in wound care on the political agenda in Belgium. The clients for this mixed study are the federal government, professional nursing organisations, hospitals, nursing homes and home care organisations.

CNC works with other wound care partners (AFISCEP, NVKV, etc) to address the ‘political issues’ of wound care in addition to working on the recognition and the description of the responsibilities of newly formed and already existing wound care specialists, now and in the near future.

A very important and critical point of discussion is the current wound reimbursement system in Belgium with the intention that it should develop to a more sufficient and adequate system focused on the patient. Together with federal governmental organisations and RIZIV (Federal Organisation of Belgian social security) CNC discusses better and still affordable solutions based on stronger scientific and economical evidence.

Very much like EWMA, CNC dedicatedly works to reach its objectives by being an educational resource, by organising regional and national conferences, by contributing to international projects related to wound management and by actively supporting the implementation of existing knowledge within wound management and providing information on all aspects of wound management.

Hendrik Vanmarcke PR Department
Luc Gryson President.