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GNEAUPP NEWS

Last November, the Spanish *Grupo Nacional para el Estudio y Asesoramiento en Úlceras por Presión y Heridas Crónicas* – National Study and Assessment Group for Pressure Ulcers and Chronic Wounds – (GNEAUPP), held its first Encuentro Nacional de Comisiones de Úlceras por Presión – National Meeting on Pressure Ulcers - at the Balneario of Arnedillo in La Rioja, Spain. Over two hundred delegates attended from different health assistance professions across Spain.

During this meeting, we evaluated the implementation and characteristics of working groups in different institutions and project design within these groups. We were honoured by the active participation, among other guests, of Mark Collier, lead nurse consultant in tissue viability from the United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust in the UK. Mark raised awareness of the nurse's role in wound healing and lectured on his experience in the United Kingdom. The meeting also saw the presentation of a new document outlining the position of the GNEAUPP regarding Commissions of Pressure Ulcers – details are on the GNEAUPP website www.gneaupp.org.

The joint collaboration between EWMA and the GNEAUPP has culminated in the adoption of the EWMA Position Document "Understanding Compression Therapy". This valuable material will be distributed to all our members for their information and to broaden their knowledge of wound care.

We would like to promote the GNEAUPP Web site, www.gneaupp.org as a useful, dynamic and constantly updated tool in wound care. The site is widely used by health professionals in Spain and abroad. In addition, there are two further electronic resources of great value to health professionals – Lista Úlceras and Boletín Electrónico. Boletín Electrónico permits us to go beyond international boundaries to reach many healthcare professionals with up to date knowledge and understanding of wound care and ulcers.

Gerokomos, the GNEAUPP and the Sociedad Española de Enfermería Geriátrica y Gerontológica magazine, is continuously strengthening its position as a valued reference for pres-

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sure ulcers and chronic wounds therapies. Indexed in major databases for Spanish speaking communities, the magazine aims to expand its readership through inclusion in other international, non-Spanish databases with bibliographical documents mainly in English.

Next November (11-13) at Oviedo, Spain, we will host the 5th Simposio Nacional sobre Úlceras por Presión y Heridas Crónicas – 5th National Symposium on Pressure Ulcers and Chronic Wounds. The symposium is expected to attract over a thousand professional delegates from all major healthcare professions. An impressive scientific programme is planned featuring outstanding international lecturers such as Christine Moffatt, Courtney Lyder, Christina Lindholm, Keith Cutting, Katia Furtado, Alastair McCloud, Mark Collier and Vincent Falanga alongside our own renowned Spanish professionals. The theme of the symposium is "Heridas Crónicas en la era de la evidencia" – "Chronic Wounds in Evidence's Era".

We look forward to welcoming many of you to this exciting event and are anticipating a busy and bright future for the GNEAUPP.