FINNISH PROGRAM IN COLLABORATION WITH FINNISH MEDICAL SOCIETY: SPECIAL COMPETENCE IN WOUND MANAGEMENT

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- Finnish Medical Society has 31 special competence programmes for physicians, and typically they are multiprofessional

- Earlier programmes: Special competence in diabetes management, pain management, music medicine, hospital hygiene, psychoterapy etc.
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- the planning of the programme started as a volunteer work with a small group of dermatologists, vascular and plastic surgeons in 2013

- the aim was to highlight the importance of wound management nationally amongst physicians

- the programme plan was ready in 2015 and was sent to the Finnish Medical Society which approved it in 12/2015
- physicians can be vascular and plastic surgeons, GP:s, dermatologists, endocrinologists, orthopedists, general surgeons, geriatricians, internists
- two years full-time practical training in an acknowledged wound centre
- 10 days of participance in a national or international wound congress
LITERATURE


Haavanhoidon Periaatteet (Sanoma Pro)


Position documents:

National guidelines (Diabetes, Chronic leg ulcer, venous insufficiency)

International documents

EWMA - Position Documents

EPUAP/NPUAP - Guidelines

Proceedings of the International Symposium on the Diabetic Foot
- the candidate must write 6 case reports of wound patients with different etiologies of wounds

- discussion must be reflected to the literature

- the committee has the right to ask the candidate for an oral examination
PRESENT SITUATION

- 31 physicians completed the programme, amongst them three GP:S
- several physicians have entered the programme
- the committee works with close collaboration with the Finnish Wound Management Association (a subcommittee)
- we have established an education programme and teacher network
- the President of the committee: Dr. Heli Lagus
Vice President: Dr. Heli Kavola
Secretary: Dr. Kirsi Isoherranen
QUESTION FOR DEBATE

- in your country, are nurses and physicians equally involved in the field of wound management?
- if not, have you some suggestions to enhance the situation?