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# **President & President Elect joint message**



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# The next chapter!

Welcome to our first President and President Elect *bullETin* message after starting our term on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022. We have lots of news from the Executive Board (EB) members.

After the long COVID-19 travel ban, we finally held a joint WCET® Congress with the WOCN® in the USA; we thank them for being our gracious hosts, in particular, Dea Kent, WOCN® President and Sunniva Zaratkiewicz, Organising Committee Co-Chair. We also thank Alison Crawshaw, WCET® Congress Coordinator, and Karen Hill, Meeting Planner for Barcami Lane, WCET® Management Company, who all worked tirelessly to ensure our success.

We held our first hybrid extended pre-Congress board meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June. Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, Diane Gallagher, Alison Crawshaw, Greg Paull, Susan Barber, our Management Company Director, and the two of us managed to make it to Fort Worth, Texas. Julie Weng and Alice Chen joined virtually. This was our first opportunity for the EB to meet face to face since 2018. The new EB that began in 2020 has never met in person. We missed Julie and Alice but do hope to be able to finally meet them in person at our next annual face to face EB meeting in 2023.

It was a great reunion in Texas to see our IDs, members and industry partners in person. It also allowed us to say a fond farewell to Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello as WCET® President 2018–2022, to thank her for her years of dedication as our leader and to celebrate our achievements during her presidency. We hope she does not go too far as we are sure we will still need her guidance from

time to time. We eagerly worked from dawn until dusk, not just on Congress planning and implementation, but also discussing issues and problem solving, while planning for the future. It also gave the two of us time to meet and discuss the way forward and to take in the enormity of the roles we have agreed to uphold. We initiated Laurent into his role as President with cowboy hats and fanfares, lots of fun, but more on this later!

We would like to sincerely thank Greg Paull and his team from Cambridge Media for all their hard work. Greg was awarded the very first WCET® honorary membership during Congress. We thank those of you who exuberantly took part in the parade of nations, and to Alison Crawshaw, Susan Stelton, Rose Murphree, Sharon Baranoski and the International Delegates. We are indebted to you for your patience and enthusiasm in ensuring it went off without a hitch. We missed those of you who could not attend, but those who did attend represented you with gusto. Thank you for those who visited our Congress Booth, we hope you enjoy your signed copy of the Festschrift Book. Thank you to Diane L. Krasner and Paula Erwin-Toth for taking the time to meet and greet members and sign copies. At the opening ceremony, they were awarded our first ever WCET® Norma N. Gill President's award. Sally Thompson, Norma's daughter, was not able to attend in person, but received her President's award virtually.

At the general business meeting we did manage to get a quorum and so thank you for accepting the EB reports for 2020-2022 and for approving our proposed budget. For the first time, in a long time, no constitution changes were requested. We would not have achieved this without the work of the Constitution Advisory Committee (CAP), under the guidance of Chairperson, Hiske Smart – thank you so much!

Thank you to Hiske Smart who has agreed to stay on as Constitution Advisory Panel (CAP) Chair; to Diana Gallagher, who has agreed to take on the position of Liaison with the National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel (NPIAP); and thank you to Susan Stelton for her years of service in this position. Thank you also to Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello who has agreed to represent WCET® as World Union of Wound Healing Societies (WUWHS) International Liaison and as associate editor for the WCET® bullETin.

We now have a WCET® promotional video; thank you in advance for sharing widely with your contacts – promotion of our mission and vision is so important in helping WCET® to continue to achieve its goals. We were of course helped by many people, thanks to Sally Thompson, Dr Elizabeth A Ayello, Dr Kathleen Capitulo, Alice Chen, Julie Weng, Elizabeth English, Lillian Saidi,

Silas Mlingera, Mary Ikaria, Josephine Gachango, Diane Gallagher, from our management company, Susan Barber, Melissa Striharsky and Emily Clifford, and A.J. Cincotta-Eichenfield the Producer.

In this issue we highlight the development and growth of enterostomal therapy in Indonesia. We also helped celebrate Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital Medical School's 130th anniversary in Nanjing China.

At the Congress, we did take the time to mourn our colleagues who have passed away over the past 4 years (whether due to COVID-19 or other conditions), especially the unexpected loss of our dear colleague Devi Sahputra Bin Agustiar. Devi should have been with us, as a Congress Travel Scholarship (CTS) recipient, if a sudden and rapid illness had not taken him away from us so tragically. A special remembrance message was added to the poster that he had submitted, and his CTS certificate was presented to Widasari Gitarja to be given to his family back in Indonesia. We also sadly say a last farewell to Susanne Montandon, the first enterostomal therapist in France, who sadly passed away at the end of June at the age of 100 years; she was an innovator and a role model. She was trained by Norma at the Cleveland Clinic and returned to spread ET nursing to all the French speaking community. They will be missed.

I (Denise) would like to thank Elizabeth and Laurent, my mentors, who have been preparing me and encouraging me for the past years; a special thanks to Laurent for entrusting me to walk by his side during his presidency. We both thank you all for the trust you have put in us and promise we will work enthusiastically and optimistically towards the vision and mission of WCET®.

Sincerely,

Denise & Laurent

# Un nouveau chapitre

## Message du Président & de la Présidente Elue

(Thank you to Laurent Chabal, WCET® President, for the translation into French)

Voici notre premier message du Président et de la Présidente Élue pour le *bullETin*, ayant débuté notre mandat le 9 juin dernier. Nous avons de nombreuses nouvelles venant des membres du Comité Exécutif (CE).

Après une longue période de restrictions aux voyages à cause de la COVID-19, nous avons finalement pu effectuer le congrès joint entre le WCET® et le WOCN® aux Etats-Unis d'Amérique. Nous tenons à remercier nos aimables hôtes, et particulièrement Dea Kent, la Présidente du WOCN®, Sunniva Zaratkiewicz, co-

responsable de la commission d'organisation, ainsi qu'Alison Crawshaw, coordinatrice des congrès du WCET® et Karen Hill, de chez Barcami Lane (notre Compagnie de management), planificatrice des rencontres, qui ont toutes travaillées sans relâche pour assurer son succès.

Notre Comité élargi a pu tenir sa première rencontre hybride. Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, Diana Gallagher, Alison Crawshaw, Greg Paull, Susan Barber – directrice, représentant notre société de gestion, ainsi que nous deux étaient présents à Fort Worth, Texas, alors que Julie Weng et Alice Chen ont dû nous rejoindre virtuellement. Cette rencontre a été notre première opportunité de se retrouver en face à face depuis 2018. Julie et Alice nous ont manqué, mais nous espérons pouvoir enfin les voir en personne lors notre prochaine rencontre annuelle du CE.

Cette rencontre a été très fructueuse. Nous avons pu dire au revoir à Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello en tant que Présidente du WCET® 2018-2022 et la remercier pour ses nombreuses années de service dévoué comme notre leader ainsi que de célébrer nos nombreuses réalisations effectuées durant sa présidence. Nous espérons qu'elle ne s'en ira pas trop loin car nous sommes sûrs que nous aurons encore besoin de ses conseils. Nous avons tous travaillé d'arrache pieds, non seulement sur la planification et la tenue de ce congrès mais aussi pour discuter des questions et résoudre les problèmes auxquels nous avons dû faire face, comme d'essayer de prévoir l'avenir. Nous avons pris le temps de vraiment faire connaissance, discuter de la meilleure voie à suivre et réaliser l'étendue des rôles que nous avons accepté d'endosser. Nous avons accompagné Laurent dans son nouveau rôle de Président avec des chapeaux de cow-boy, des bains de foule et beaucoup de joie... mais nous vous en disons plus un peu plus tard!

Nous tenons à remercier chaleureusement Greg Paull et toute son équipe de Cambridge Media pour leur travail. Lors de ce congrès, Greg a été reconnu comme étant le tout premier membre honoraire du WCET®.

A toutes celles et ceux qui ont participé à notre parade des nations si colorée: Alison Crawshaw, Susan Stelton, Rose Murphree, Sharon Baranoski, comme aux Délégués Internationaux, nous vous sommes redevable. Merci de votre patience et votre enthousiasme qui ont fait de ce défilé un succès mémorable. Pour celles et ceux d'entre vous qui n'ont pu y assister et qui nous ont manqués, sachez que vous y avez été représenté avec brio. Merci à toutes celles et ceux qui sont venu nous voir au stand du WCET® lors du congrès, nous espérons que vous avez apprécié votre exemplaire du Festschrift Book

signé de la main de Diane L. Krasner et Paula Erwin-Toth. Merci à elles d'avoir pris le temps de rencontrer les participants et d'avoir fait autant d'autographes. Lors de la cérémonie d'ouverture, toutes deux ont reçu en personne nos premiers prix Présidentiel WCET® Norma N. Gill. Sally Thompson, la fille de Norma, n'ayant pu venir, a reçu le sien virtuellement.

Nous sommes ravis d'avoir pu atteindre un quorum lors que notre assemblée générale et nous vous remercions d'avoir accepté l'ensemble des rapports 2018–2022 du CE ainsi que d'avoir approuvé notre proposition de budget. Pour la première fois et ce depuis bien longtemps, aucun changement de constitution a été demandé. Nous n'aurions pu en arriver là sans le travail de la Commission Consultative sur la Constitution (CCC), mené par Hiske Smart: un grand merci à vous!

Merci à Hiske d'avoir accepté de rester la responsable de la Commission Consultative sur la Constitution (CCC), à Diana Gallagher d'avoir repris le rôle de liaison avec la NPIAP – merci à Susan Stelton pour ces années de service dans cette position. Merci aussi à Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello d'avoir accepté de nous représenter auprès de la WUWHS en tant que lien international du WCET® ainsi que de rester la co-éditorialiste du *bullETin* du WCET®.

Maintenant le WCET® dispose d'une vidéo promotionnelle. Un grand merci d'avance pour la partager largement avec vos contacts, nous aidant ainsi à diffuser notre mission et vision: votre soutien est indispensable au WCET® dans la poursuite de ses objectifs. Bien sûr nous avons été aidés par de nombreuses personnalités: merci à Sally Thompson, Dr. Elizabeth A Ayello, Dr. Kathleen Capitulo, Alice Chen, Julie Weng, Elizabeth English, Lillian Saidi, Silas Mlingera, Mary Ikaria, Josephine Gachango, Diane Gallagher, et de notre compagnie de gestion à Susan Barber et Melissa Striharsky et A.J. Cincotta -Eichenfield.

Dans cette édition, nous soulignons le développement et l'expansion de la stomathérapie en Indonésie et nous soutenons la célébration du 130<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de l'école de médecine de l'hôpital de Nanjing Drum Tower.

Lors du congrès, nous avons pris le temps de faire le deuil de nos collègues décédés durant ces 4 dernières années (que ce soit à cause de COVID-19 ou non), et en particulier de la perte inattendue de notre cher collègue Devi Sahputra Bin Agustiar. Il aurait dû être avec nous puisqu'il était un de nos membres ayant reçu une bourse pour participer au congrès (CTS) si une maladie rapide ne l'avait rattrapé. Une épitaphe a pu être ajoutée au poster qu'il a soumis et son certificat CTS a pu être remis à sa famille par Widasari Gitarja l'ayant pris avec elle dans son retour en Indonésie. Nous avons aussi dit adieu, fin juin, à Susanne



Montandon la première stomathérapeute française qui est malheureusement décédée à l'âge de 100 ans. Elle était une innovatrice et un modèle. Elle avait été formée par Norma à la Clinique de Cleveland et a permis la diffusion de la stomathérapie dans toute la communauté francophone. Ils vont nous manquer.

Je (Denise) tiens à remercier Elizabeth et Laurent, mes mentors, pour m'avoir préparé et encouragé toutes ces dernières années. Un grand merci à Laurent pour la confiance accordée de marcher à ses côtés durant sa présidence. Nous vous remercions toutes et tous pour la confiance que vous nous accordez. Nous nous engageons à travailler avec enthousiasme et optimisme pour remplir la vision et la mission du WCET®.

Sincèrement Denise et Laurent

# 新篇章

### 主席及候任主席信息

(Thank you to Michelle Lee, WCET® Education Committee Member & Webinar Coordinator, for the translation into Chinese)

欢迎来到我们在 2022 年 6 月 9 日 · 开始我们的任期后的第一份主席及候任主席的公告。我们有很多来自执行委员会 (EB) 成员的消息。

在长期的 COVID-19 旅行禁令之后,我们终于在美国与WOCN®举行了联合 WCET® 大会,我们感谢他们成为我们亲切的东道主,特别是 WOCN® 主席 Dea Kent和组委会联合主席 Sunniva Zaratkiewicz。我们还要感谢 WCET® 大会协调员 Alison Crawshaw 和 WCET® 管理公司 Barcami Lane 的会议策划人 Karen Hill,他们为确保我们的成功而努力不懈。

我们举行了第一次联合委员会会议。我们两人与 Elizabeth A. Ayello 博士、Diane Gallagher、Alison Crawshaw、Greg Paull、Susan Barber、我们的管理 公司董事,到达德克萨斯州沃思堡,而 Julie Weng 和Alice Chen 则视像加入。这是我们自 2018 年以 来,第一次有机会面对面见面。我们想念Julie和 Alice,希望能够在下一年度执行委员会会议上,亲 自见到他们。这是一次伟大的重逢;它让我们能够 向 2018-2022 年 WCET® 主席 Elizabeth A. Ayello 博 士道别。感谢她多年来,作为我们的领导人所作出 的奉献,并庆祝我们在她担任主席期间所取得的成 就。我们希望她不要走得太远,因为我们确信我们 仍然会不时需要她的指导。我们从早到晚热切地工 作,不仅是大会的策划和执行,还讨论和解决问 题,同时规划未来。这也让我们两人有时间见面相 讨未来的路向,并承担我们答允的巨大角色。我们 发起用牛仔帽和扇子活动来迎接Laurent担任主席一

职,期间有很多欢乐,稍后会作详细介绍!

我们衷心感谢剑桥媒体的 Greg Paull 和他的团队所做的所有辛勤工作。 Greg 在大会期间被授予第一个WCET® 荣誉会员资格。我们感谢热情参与国家巡礼的人士,感谢Alison Crawshaw, Susan Stelton, Rose Murphree, Sharon Baranoski和国际代表们,感谢你们的耐心和热情,确保巡礼顺利进行。我们想念那些不能参加的人,但那些参加者的热情已代表了你。感谢那些参观会议展览摊位的人,我们希望您喜欢Festschrift Book,感谢 Diane L. Krasner 和 Paula Erwin-Toth 抽出时间会见和迎接会员并签署这书。在开幕式上,他们获得了我们有史以来第一个 WCET® Norma N. Gill President's award。 Norma 的女儿 Sally Thompson 无法亲自出席,但她以视像方式获此奖项。

在一般业务会议上,我们达到了法定人数,感谢您们接受 2020-2022 年的执行委员会报告并批准我们的建议预算。很长时间以来,这是第一次没有要求修改宪法。如果没有 Hiske Smart 领导下的宪法咨询委员会 (CAP)的工作,我们将无法实现这一目标,非常感谢!

感谢 Hiske Smart 同意继续担任宪法咨询小组 (CAP)的主席;致 Diana Gallagher,她已同意担任 NPIAP 联络员,并感谢 Susan Stelton 多年来在该职位上的服务。还要感谢 Elizabeth A. Ayello 博士,她同意代表WCET®担任 WUWHS 国际联络员和 WCET® bullETin 的副编辑。

我们现在有一辑 WCET® 宣传视频,预先感谢您与您的联系人广泛分享这视频,宣传我们的使命和愿景,对于帮助 WCET® 继续实现其目标是非常重要的。我们当然得到了很多人的帮助,感谢 Sally Thompson、Elizabeth A Ayello 博士、Kathleen Capitulo 博士、Alice Chen、Julie Weng、Elizabeth English、Lillian Saidi、Silas Mlingera、Mary Ikaria、Josephine Gachango、Diane Gallagher 和来自我们管理公司的 Susan Barber 和 Melissa Striharsky和 A.J. Cincotta - Eichenfield.

在本期中,我们将重点介绍印度尼西亚肠造口治疗的发展和成长。我们还帮助庆祝南京鼓楼医院医学院建校 130 周年。

在大会上,我们悼念在过去 4 年中去世的同伴(无论是由于 COVID-19 还是其他情况),尤其是我们亲爱的同伴 Devi Sahputra Bin Agustiar 的去世。作为会议旅行奖学金 (CTS) 的获得者,如果不是一场突如其来的急性疾病使他离开了我们,那么 · Devi 应该和我们在一起。我们在他提交的海报上,添加了一条特别的纪念信息。他的 CTS 证书已交给了 Widasari Gitarja,以送给他在印度尼西亚的家人。我们还遗憾地向法国第一位造口治疗师 Susanne Montandon 道别,她于 6 月底不幸去世,享年 100 岁,她是一位创新者和榜样。她在克利夫兰诊所接受了诺玛的培



训,并将 ET 护理传播到所有法语社区。他们将被怀

我(Denise)要感谢我的导师 Elizabeth 和 Laurent· 他们在过去的一年里,一直在为我做准备和鼓励、 特别感谢 Laurent 在他担任主席期间容许我与他同 行。我们感谢大家对我们的信任,并承诺我们将会 热情及乐观地朝着 WCET® 的愿景和使命而努力。

### 真挚地

丹尼斯和洛朗

# Un nuevo capítulo

#### Mensaje del presidente y presidente electo

(Thank you to Heidi Heivia, WCET® Chilean ID for the translation into Spanish)

Bienvenidos a nuestro primer mensaje del presidente y presidente electo del Boletín, después de comenzar nuestro mandato el 9 de junio de 2022. Tenemos muchas noticias de los miembros del Comité Ejecutivo (EB).

Después de la larga prohibición de viajar por el COVID-19, finalmente celebramos un Congreso WCET® en conjunto con WOCN® en USA. Les agradecemos por ser nuestros amables anfitriones, agradecemos en particular Dea Kent, presidente de WOCN® y Sunniva Zaratkiewicz, bicepresidenta del comité organizador.

Tambi'en a grade cemos a Alison Crawshaw, coordinadoradel Congreso WCET® y Karen Hill, planificadora de reuniones de Barcami Lane, empresa de la gestión de WCET®, que trabajaron incansablemente para garantizar nuestro éxito.

Celebramos nuestra primera reunión híbrida extendida de la junta, Dr. Elizabeth A. Ayello, Diane Gallagher, Alison Crawshaw, Greg Paull, Susan Barber, nuestra Directora de la Compañía de Administración, y nosotros dos logramos llegar a Fort Worth, Texas, mientras que Julie Weng y Alice Chen se unieron virtualmente. Esta fue nuestra primera oportunidad de conocernos cara a cara desde 2018, echamos de menos a Julie y Alice, pero esperamos finalmente poder conocerlas en persona en nuestra próxima reunión anual cara a cara de EB. Fue una gran reunión; nos permitió despedirnos con cariño de la Dra. Elizabeth A. Ayello como Presidenta de WCET® 2018-2022, para agradecerle sus años de dedicación como nuestra líder y para celebrar nuestros logros durante su presidencia. Esperamos que no vaya demasiado lejos, ya que estamos seguros de que todavía necesitaremos su guía de vez en cuando. Trabajamos con entusiasmo desde el amanecer hasta el anochecer, no solo en la planificación y ejecución del

congreso, sino también en la discusión y resolución de problemas, mientras planificamos para el futuro.

También nos dio tiempo para reunirnos las dos y discutir el camino a seguir y asimilar la enormidad de roles que hemos acordado defender. Iniciamos a Laurent en su papel de presidente con sombreros de vaquero y tarifas para fanáticos, mucha diversión, ¡pero más sobre esto más adelante!

Nos gustaría agradecer sinceramente a Greg Paull y su equipo de Cambridge Media por todo su arduo trabajo. Greg recibió la primera membresía honoraria de WCET® durante el congreso. Agradecemos a aquellos de ustedes que participaron de manera exuberante en el desfile de las naciones, y a Alison Crawshaw, Susan Stelton, Rose Murphree, Sharon Baranoski y los Delegados Internacionales, estamos en deuda con ustedes por su paciencia y entusiasmo para garantizar que transcurriera sin problemas. Echamos de menos a aquellos de ustedes que no pudieron asistir, pero los que asistieron los representaron con gusto. Gracias a quienes visitaron el stand del Congreso, esperamos que disfruten de su copia firmada del Libro Festschrift, gracias a Diane L. Krasner y Paula Erwin-Toth por tomarse el tiempo para conocer y saludar a los miembros y firmar copias. En la ceremonia de apertura, recibieron nuestro primer premio WCET® Norma N. Gill President. Sally Thompson, la hija de Norma, quien no pudo asistir en persona, pero recibió su premio del Presidente de forma virtual.

En la reunión general de negocios logramos obtener un quórum, por lo que agradecemos por aceptar los informes de la EB para 2020-2022 y por aprobar nuestro presupuesto propuesto. Por primera vez, en mucho tiempo, no se solicitaron cambios en la constitución. No hubiéramos logrado esto sin el trabajo del Comité Asesor de Constitución (CAP), bajo la dirección de Hiske Smart, ¡muchas gracias!

Gracias a Hiske Smart, quien aceptó permanecer en el Presidente del Panel Asesor de la Constitución (CAP); a Diana Gallagher, quien aceptó asumir el cargo de Enlace con el NPIAP y gracias a Susan Stelton por sus años de servicio en este cargo. Gracias también a la Dra. Elizabeth A. Ayello, quien aceptó representar a WCET® como enlace internacional de WUWHS y como coeditora del bullETin de WCET®.

Ahora tenemos un video promocional de WCET®, gracias de antemano por compartir ampliamente con sus contactos, la promoción de nuestra misión y visión es muy importante para ayudar al WCET® a continuar logrando sus objetivos. Por supuesto, muchas personas nos ayudaron, gracias a Sally Thompson, la Dra. Elizabeth A Ayello, la Dra. Kathleen Capitulo, Alice Chen, Julie

Weng, Elizabeth English, Lillian Saidi, Silas Mlingera, Mary Ikaria, Josephine Gachango, Diane Gallagher y de nuestra empresa de gestión, Susan Barber y Melissa Striharsky y A.J. Cincotta -Eichenfield.

En esta edición destacaremos el desarrollo y crecimiento de la Terapia Enterostomal en Indonesia. También ayudamos a celebrar el 130 aniversario de la Escuela de Medicina del Hospital Drum Tower de Nanjing.

En el congreso, nos tomamos el tiempo para llorar a nuestros colegas que fallecieron en los últimos 4 años (ya sea por COVID-19 u otras condiciones), especialmente la pérdida inesperada de nuestra guerida colega Devi Sahputra Bin Agustiar. Devi debería haber estado con nosotros, como beneficiario de la Beca de Viaje del Congreso (CTS), si una enfermedad repentina y rápida no se lo hubiera llevado tan trágicamente. Se agregó un mensaje de recuerdo especial al poster que había enviado, y se entregó su certificado CTS a Widasari Gitarja, para que se lo entregue a su familia en Indonesia. También nos despedimos con tristeza de Susanne Montandon, la primera Terapeuta Enterostomal en Francia, quien lamentablemente falleció a fines de junio a la edad de 100 años, fue una innovadora y un modelo a seguir. Fue entrenada por Norma en la Clínica Cleveland y volvió a difundir la Enfermería ET a toda la comunidad de habla francesa. Se les extrañará.

Yo (Denise) quisiera agradecer a Elizabeth y Laurent, mis mentores, quienes me han estado preparando y animando durante el último año, un agradecimiento especial a Laurent por confiarme para caminar a su lado durante su presidencia. Ambos les agradecemos a todos por la confianza que han depositado en nosotros y prometemos que trabajaremos con entusiasmo y optimismo hacia la visión y misión de WCET®.

Sinceramente

Denise y Laurent

# Um novo capítulo

#### Mensagem do Presidente e do Presidente Eleito

(Thank you to Angela Boccara, Brazil, for translation into Portuguese)

Bem-vindos ao nosso primeiro boletim, após o início do nosso mandato em 09 de junho de 2022.

Queremos compartilhar com vocês as novidades do Conselho Executivo (CE).

Depois da longa proibição das viagens devido a pandemia do COVID-19, finalmente foi possível realizar o Congresso do WCET®, em conjunto com o WOCN®, nos Estados Unidos da America. Aproveitamos a

oportunidade para agradecer a calorosa recepção, em especial, Dea Kent, presidente do WOCN® e Sunniva Zaratkiewicz, coordenador do comitê organizador do Congresso. Agradecemos tambaem a Alison Crawshaw, coordenador do Congresso do WCET® e Karen Hill, organizador do Congresso – Barcami Lane, WCET® Management Company e todos que trabalharam incansavelmente para o nosso sucesso.

Realizamos a nossa primeira reunião hibrida de diretoria com a presença de Dr. Elizabeth A. Ayello, Diane Gallagher, Alison Crawshaw, Greg Paull, Susan Barber, nossa diretora da empresa de gestão e n'os dois, que conseguimos chegar em Fort Worth, Texas, enquanto Julie Weng e Alice Chen participaram virtualmente. Esta foi nossa primeira oportunidade de nos encontrarmos presencialmente desde 2018, sentimos falta de Julie e Alice, mas esperamos poder conhece-los pessoalmente na nossa próxima reunião anual presencial. Foi uma ótima reunião, na qual pudemos nos despedir calorosamente de Dra Elizabeth A. Ayello, presidente da gestão 2018-2022 do WCET®, pudemos agradece-la pelos anos de dedicação na liderança desta organização e para celebrar as nossas conquistas durante a sua gestão. Esperamos que ela permaneça por perto, pois sabemos que ainda precisaremos de suas orientações de tempos em tempos. Nós trabalhamos arduamente, não apenas no planejamento e execução do congresso, mas também conversando sobre questões e resoluções de problemas, enquanto planejávamos as ações futuras. Além dessa reunião, tivemos mais duas oportunidades nas quais discutimos os caminhos a seguir e a enormidade dos papeis que aceitamos assumir. Iniciamos com Laurent, em seu papel de presidente e seu chapéu de cowboy, muito divertido, falaremos mais sobre isso depois!

Gostaríamos de agradecer sinceramente a Greg Paull, e toda sua equipe da Cambridge Media, pelo árduo trabalho. Greg recebeu o prêmio de primeiro membro honorário do WCET® durante o Congresso. Agradecemos também a todos vocês que participaram com exuberância do desfile dos países e a Alison Crawshaw, Susan Stelton, Rose Murphree, Sharon Baranoski e a todos os delegados internacionais. Estamos gratos por sua paciência e entusiasmo para que este desfile ocorre com muita alegria e prazer. Obrigado também a todos que foram visitar nosso estande no Congresso, esperamos realmente que vocês gostem da sua cópia autografada do Festschrift Book, agradecemos a Diane L. Krasner e Paula Erwin-Toth por dedicarem seu tempo para conhecer, cumprimentarem os membros e assinarem as copias do livro. Na cerimônia de abertura receberam nosso primeiro prêmio WCET® Norma N. Gill President. Sally Thompson, filha de Norma Gill nao pode



comparecer pessoalmente, mas recebeu o prêmio do presidente virtualmente.

Na Assembleia Geral, conseguimos o quórum necessário, e assim também agradecemos, especialmente por aprovarem os relatórios do Conselho executivo e nossa proposta orçamentária. Pela primeira vez, em muito tempo, nenhuma alteração constitucional foi solicitada. Não teríamos conseguido isso, sem o importante trabalho do Comitê de Constituição Consultivo (CAP), sob a coordenação de Hiske Smart, nosso muito obrigada.

Também deixamos nossos agradecimentos a Hiske Smart mais um vez, por ter aceitado permanecer neste comitê (CAP), a Diana Gallagher que aceitou assumir o cargo de ligação entre o WCET® com o NPIAP, e obrigada a Susan Stelton, pelos anos de trabalho, nesta posição. Agradecemos a Elisabeth Ayelo que aceitou ser a representante do WCET® junto ao WOCN® e continuar como co-editor *WCET® bullETin*.

Agora temos também um vídeo promocional do WCET® e agradecemos antecipadamente por você compartilhar com os seus contatos. Divulgar a missão e os valores do WCET®, sendo fundamental para nos auxiliar a continuar a atingir os objetivos do WCET®. Importante ressaltar que tivemos ajuda de muitas pessoas, Sally Thompson, Dr. Elizabeth A Ayello, Dr. Kathleen Capitulo, Alice Chen, Julie Weng, Elizabeth English, Lillian Saidi, Silas Mlingera, Mary Ikaria, Josephine Gachango, Diane Gallagher e da nossa empresa de gestão, nas pessoas de Susan Barber e Melissa Striharsky e A.J. Cincotta -Eichenfield.

Nesta edição estaremos destaremos o crescimento e o desenvolvimento da estomaterapia na Indonésia. Também contribuímos para celebração do 130 aniversário do Hospital Universitário Nanjing Drum Tower.

No Congresso também fizemos uma homenagem aos colegas que faleceram nos últimos quatro anos (seja devido ao COVID-19 ou outras causas), especialmente a perda inesperada do nosso querido Devi Sahputra Bin Agustiar. Devi deveria estar conosco no Congresso, como bolsista do Congress Travel Scholarship (CTS), se uma doença súbita e muito rápida não tivesse o afastado de nós de forma tão trágica. Uma mensagem especial de lembrança foi adicionada ao poster que ele havia enviado e seu certificado foi entregue a Widasari Gitarja, para ser enviado a sua família na Indonésia. também dissemos adeus para Susanne Montandon, a primeira enfermeira estomaterapeuta da Franca, que infelizmente faleceu no final de junho, aos 100 anos de idade, ela foi inovadora e um exemplo a ser seguido. Ela foi capacitada por Norma na Cleveland Clinic e voltou

para difundir a estomaterapia na comunidade francesa. Todos farão muita falta.

Eu (Denise) quero agradecer a Elisabeth e Laurent, meus mentores, que me prepararam e incentivaram durante o último ano. Um agradecimento muito especial para Laurent, por confiar em mim para caminhar ao seu lado, durante sua presidência. Nós dois agradecemos a todos que confiaram em nós e prometemos que trabalharemos com entusiasmo e otimismo, sempre com base na visão e missão do WCET®.

Sinceramente

Denise & Laurent

# In memory of Devi Sahputra Bin Agustiar

"Recently we have lost a 'shining star' – Devi Sahputra, WOC(ET) nurse. In the past few years, he had dedicated his time to spreading knowledge and working in the Indonesian ETNEP. His contribution to our country Indonesia, specifically in wound, ostomy & continence care, was unsurpassed. Devi was a very kind man who died far too soon. He would be happy to know that the work continues in advancing wound, ostomy & continence nursing care in Indonesia".

Widasari Sri Gitarja, Marina Ruran, Carol Stott, Pipit Lestari





Uty Ramadan and sir Devi on the last day of CWCCA training (24th September 2020)

# Uty Ramadan Indonesia

"Devi has been an active member of the WCET® serving most recently on the NNGF® committee. We were all looking forward to once again seeing him at WCET® Congress. He was so proud and excited that his abstract had been accepted for the upcoming joint WCET® Congress with WOCN® in Fort Worth, Texas. At times of sorrow, it is not always easy to put into words expressions of sympathy. He will be remembered for his bright smile and enthusiastic participation in education. Our deepest condolence to his family, colleagues, and friends on the loss of this vibrant nurse. He will be greatly missed. We send our wishes for comfort to all who mourn him. May he rest in peace and his memory be for a blessing".

Elizabeth Ayello Laurent Chabal WCET® President WCET® President 2018–2022 2022–2026

"I have no words to express my deep sadness to have heard about Devi's passing. He was so young. Last time we met was at WUWHS in Abdu Dhabi, UAE, last March. All my thoughts to his family, colleagues and friends. We will keep him in our heart. May he rest in peace".

Laurent O. Chabal (WCET® President)

"We have just heard via international colleagues that Devi Saputra has passed away, so sudden, very tragic. As you know Devi was one of our Congress scholarship recipients and had submitted a poster, having just spoken with him a few days ago it is hard to believe, especially as he was still so young. May he rest in peace".

# Denise Hibbert (WCET® President Elect)



Devi at 2022 WUWHS

Congress

"My heart goes out to all who knew and loved him. Keeping you all in my thoughts".

Sunniva Zaratkiewicz (WOCN®, WOCNext® 2022 Co-Chair)



Devi's poster presentation presented in his memory

# In memory of Susanne Montandon, Past President of A.F.E.T.

#### Laurent O. Chabal (WCET® President)

WCET® was very saddened to learn of the passing of Susanne Montandon from France. Susanne was trained in the USA by Norma N. Gill and in 1976 she became the first enterostomal therapy (ET) nurse in France. She was a founding member of WCET® having attended the pre-founding meeting in London in 1977 and the initiation of the WCET®



Susanne Montandon



Creation of the first stoma therapy school in Lyon. L–R: Prof. Georges Guillemin, Norma N. Gill, Catherine Mordacq and Suzanne Montandon (first President of the Association).

in Milan in 1978. Susanne went on to become the first International Delegate (ID) for France. She was involved in the establishment of the Association Française d'Entérostoma-Thérapeutes, the Association of French Enterostomal Therapists (A.F.E.T.) in 1978 and became the first President. Susanna continued to work diligently towards the mission and vision of both A.F.E.T. and WCET®, including a recent twinning project with Morocco. We send our condolences and comfort to her family, friends, and to all who mourn her.



WCET® Norma N. Gill, Prof. Guillemin and Suzanne Montandon, 1980, Cleveland



35 years of A.F.E.T in 2013. Danièle Chaumier (President), Suzanne Montandon and Michelle Guyot-Pomathios (Honorary Presidents)



French stoma booklets by Susanna Montandon

Thank you to Léocadie Hamadi, Catherine Martinet and Mthé from France, Prilli Stevens from South Africa, Mariam Mohd Nassir from Malaysia, Eloisa Roncaratti from Brazil and Louise Forest Lalande from Canada, for sharing their memories and condolences for Susanne's tribute.

"My condolences to all the relatives of our Suzon. A great lady because of her human qualities, her tenderness and her outstretched hand towards Morocco. She inspired me with her desire to export stoma therapy to Morocco where she had worked as a nurse. I hope to be able to live up to her wish. My pain is great, my MOROCCAN Blonde leaves a great void in my heart, and I will forever remember the moments shared with her".

"Toutes mes condoléances à tous les proches de notre Suzon. Une grande dame de par ses qualites humaines, sa tendresse et sa main tendue vers le Maroc. Elle m'a insufflé son désir d'exporter la stomathérapie vers le Maroc où elle avait exercé en tant qu'infirmiere. J'espère être à la hauteur de son souhait. Ma peine est grande, ma MAROCAINE Blonde laisse un grand vide dans mon cœur, et, c'est à jamais que je me souviendrai des moments partages avec elle".

# Léocadie Hamadi – Présidente d'APPETPF Infirmière stomathérapeute, expert formatrice Lille, Hauts de France

"As soon as we met in 1985, she gave me the desire to practice stomatherapy. A great knowledge of surgery but also of the human soul, a solid experience in the field, good humor, here is the image that I have of this great lady. I send you all my sad thoughts."

"Dès notre rencontre en 1985, elle m'a donné l'envie de pratiquer la stomathérapie. Une grande connaissance de la chirurgie mais aussi de l'âme humaine, une solide expérience du terrain, de la bonne humeur, voilà l'image que je garde de cette grande dame – Je vous adresse toutes mes pensées attristées".

#### **Catherine Martinet**

"A great void has been left at the departure of Suzon. She was the soul of our training. What an example she gave us, the courage to hang on, to keep moving forward served by solid common sense and great humanity. We have all lost a friend, a little piece of ourselves that

forever. I kiss you all".

"Un grand vide que le départ de Suzon. C'était l'âme de notre formation. Quel exemple elle nous a donné, le courage de nous accrocher, de continuer à avancer servi par un solide bon sens et une grande humanité. On a tous perdu une amie, un petit morceau de nous-même qu'elle emportera avec elle, et elle, nous la garderons dans nos

vies à tout jamais. Je vous embrasse".

she will take with her, but we will keep her in our lives

#### Mthé

"I heard today the very sad news of the passing of Susanne, the wonderful pioneering French ET. I would like to send my deepest sympathies to all members of A.F.E.T and to her family and friends. I was very fortunate to meet Susanne at the first gathering of 16 international Nurses in London in 1977, when Norma Gill and the 16 of us agreed to formally form an International Association of ET's and called it THE WORLD COUNCIL OF ENTEROSTOMAL THERAPISTS®.

Susanne and I met again in Milan in 1978 when we officially formed the WCET® and immediately formed a friendship. Susanne Highlighted one of the greatest hurdles the WCET® was required to overcome, namely communication! French being Susanne's language of choice certainly defeated most of the others, and English was at times quite complex for non-English speakers. Fortunately, Susanne had a great sense of humour and somehow sat through the day we formed our constitution, with all the formal language and legalities, although much of it must have gone over her head!

The French organised WCET® Congress in Lyon was a huge success. Susanne and her colleagues master minded the biggest congress we had experienced. Lyon being a wonderful venue, facilitating many delegates especially from Europe. Hotel Dieu, with its major venue in medical history, and Professor George Guilleman and Susanne, the two French pioneers on site, were a big attraction.

So, a life well lived. Much given to quality of life for so many patients through her nursing skills and education for future French ETs. A truly lovely lady who I feel privileged to have known and call a friend. My deepest sympathy to you all".

Priscilla. J d'E Stevens – Past President WCET®, Life Member Cape Town, South Africa "We send our condolences to the family and to WCET® on Susanna's passing".

# Mariam Mohd Nasir, Malaysia

"Big Hugs for family and friends of Susanna, she did a wonderful job in caring for people, patients with Love and especially care".

# Eloisa Roncaratti, Brazil

"My most sincere condolences to all French stomatherapists and from the Francophonie. Special thoughts to Michelle, Bernadette and Françoise. Suzon will be remembered as an inspiring pioneer who guided many nurses in the discovery and learning of our exciting specialty. She will have made a big difference in the lives of a multitude of patients, and also in ours, for several generations past and to come. Affectionately".

"Mes plus sincères condoléances à toutes les stomathérapeutes françaises et de la francophonie. Pensées toutes spéciales à Michelle, Bernadette et Françoise. On se rappellera Suzon comme d'une pionnière inspirante qui a guidé plusieurs infirmières et infirmiers dans la découverte et l'apprentissage de notre passionnante spécialité. Elle aura fait une grande différence dans la vie d'une multitude de patients, et aussi dans la nôtre, et ce pour plusieurs générations passées et à venir. Affectueusement".

# Louise Forest Lalande – Past WCET® President Canada

# WCET® Congratulates Dr Kimberley LeBlanc



Dr Kim LeBlanc, PhD, RN, NSWOC, WOCC(C), FCAN

# Congratulations!!

WCET® would like to congratulate Dr Kimberly LeBlanc on her election as President Elect 2022–2024 to the Canadian Nurses Association. Very well deserved! We wish you success.



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# Congratulations from Prilli Stevens (Past President & Life Member) on *bullETin* issue 1 2022

Congratulations on another really informative and globally interesting *bullETin*! Special delight in reading recognition of so many top-class contributors from the WCET\*... to all who received those accolades – heartiest congratulations – and thanks for the many, many hours of hard work and sharing of your much respected knowledge.

The growth of the WCET® since our humble beginnings is indeed mind blowing – credit to those who have carried the flag for the association so brilliantly these past few years. A mega thanks to you all.

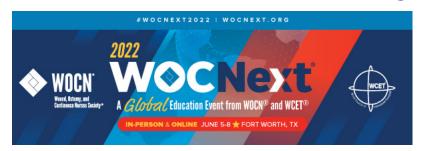
Finally – I have such respect for the way you have kept education going through these difficult COVID-19 years.

Just reading the excellent article from a colleague in this *bullETin* on the very real issues around conducting her clinical practice in those times. Further stamped the very special qualities found in our nurses who go the extra mile – think out of the box – and have the needs of their patients and family firmly at the top of their priority list.

Warmest regards.

Prilli Stevens – Past President 1980–1984, Cape Town, South Africa

# Stories from WCET® WOCN® Joint Congress 2022, Fort Worth, Texas





### WCET® WOCN® JOINT CONGRESS 2022 AVAILABLE ON-DEMAND!

# Did you register for WOCNext® 2022 but missed the live event?

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# A taste of WCET® WOCN® Congress in Texas



Laurent Chabal WCET® President

having attended the After European Wound Management annual Congress, held this year in Paris, France, I just had the time to get back home and do my mandatory COVID-19 test before flying to Dallas. At no cost to WCET®, I decided to take my summer leave at this time and so arrived on the memorial holiday weekend; the city was empty, giving a strange feeling for visitors. The terrible shooting in a Texan

school had occurred just a few days before, all the flags were half-mast as a sign of respect. It also gave me goose bumps to walk around the place where John Fitzgerald Kennedy (JFK), United States of America's 35<sup>th</sup> President, was very tragically killed in 1963. These free days gave me the chance to adjust to the time zone difference, relax and enjoy some of Dallas's cool places such as the aquarium and the zoo.

I took the Trinity Railway Express (TRE) train from Dallas to Fort Worth on 1<sup>st</sup> June, as we were starting our Pre-Congress Executive Board (EB) meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. The EB met in person and virtually as two of our members were

still under COVID-19 restrictions in their country. We worked on the parade of nations, our General Business Meeting, our individual calendar coordination, WCET® booth tasks, EB report submissions, and Elizabeth and I worked together on our opening and closing remarks for the Congress.

We were all involved in the Congress in many other ways: workshops, oral presentations, panel discussions, moderator and booth duties. It was also an opportunity to meet our Sustaining Journal Partners (SJP) and thank them. We awarded them an aqua crystal WCET® SJP award. We thank the ones who invited us for dinner, giving us a chance not only to have a great time, but also to get to know each other better. It was great to work with our colleagues from WOCN® and it was wonderful to see so many of you in person. All Congress content has been registered and is available for you to watch online until the end of this year.

After the Congress we had a half day of productive post-Congress EB meetings.

This Congress has been hard work and stressful, but it was also very successful with great achievements, leaving me with lots of mixed emotions, I am especially proud of all the WCET® team members who have achieved so much during this long week of voluntary work. See you all soon in Glasgow, 2024!



Fountain, Fort Worth, Texas





City of Fort Worth, Texas



Downtown Dallas



The Trinity Railway Express (TRE) train going from Dallas to Fort Worth (1 hour trip)



Preparing for the ostomy clinical challenges hands on workshop (Laurent Chabal & Jan Colwell)



WCET® booth



Gala dinner



Giving (again) the WCET® flag to our ASCN-UK colleagues

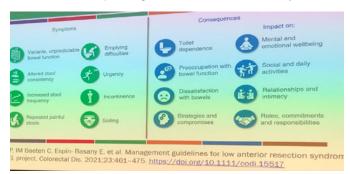
# The 2022 WCET® Congress Journey

The WCET® 2022 Congress, which was held alongside WOCN®, has been and gone. It was held in Fort Worth, Texas from 4<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> June and was a great success. There were presentations from all over the world, given by both experts and novices. All presentations that I attended were excellent. Congratulations to all our speakers.

Alison Crawshaw, WCET® Congress Coordinator



Denise Hibbert, speaking on low anterior resection syndrome



Slide on low anterior resection: Infogram from the International Consensus Document on LARS (with kind permission of Dr Peter Christensen)



Panel discussion led by Jan Colwell: Laurent Chabal, Denise Hibbert, Kim LeBlanc and Dee Waugh

The exhibition was well attended by both industry and delegates. A lot of new innovative products, which aim to improve the lives of our patients, were displayed; I am sure everyone who attended the booths learned something to improve their practice.

WCET® organised the Parade of Nations with a slightly different format than usual. This was partly due to a number of countries not allowing delegates to attend in person, so some countries were not represented. Having said that, it was still guite a spectacular show.





Preparing for the Parade of Nations

The social evening was held at River Ranch Stockyards where entertainment and food was 'cowboy style'. A fun evening with lots of socialising and networking.



A night at the Stockyard: Gala dinner

The Congress closed with the WCET® flag being handed to ASCN-UK® who will host the next WCET® Congress in Glasgow 2024. A piper playing Scottish music led the WCET® and ASCN-UK Board members out of the hall. Quite a finale!!



Scottish piper playing at the closing ceremony

# WCET® Joint Congress 2022: A personal experience



Denise Hibbert

As you know, the WCET® Congress 2022 was a joint meeting with WOCN® in Fort Worth, Texas, USA. The Executive Board (EB) arrived three days before to hold its EB pre-Congress meetings and prepare for Congress; planning is everything! Although a little jet WCET® President Elect lagged, we were so excited and energized, not only because it was

our first face to face meeting in over 4 years, but because it was the first meeting in the USA for over a decade, for those who remember the wonderful time in Phoenix, 2010. It was also tinged with sadness as we knew by the end of the Congress, on 9th June, we would have to say goodbye to Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello; we are thankful for her leadership through stormy waters and for her mentorship of our new President, Mr Laurent O. Chabal.



Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello at the opening ceremony

Being an EB representing four different continents makes meeting interactions very interesting with all our global news and views. We have all learnt so much since we last met, and sharing and learning from each other makes WCET® a strong global organization. The pre-Congress meeting was all about reviewing the past two years, discussing what worked and our achievements but also being transparent about our obstacles and what we will do better; improvement should never stop. The EB officers and Committee Chairs presented their reports, demonstrating the hard work that their roles necessitate, all on top of their day jobs, which during COVID-19 was no easy feat. I thank them for including me as a part of my mentoring for the President Elect Position. We did also have some fun, very important, as Elizabeth kept telling us "If it's not fun you're not doing it right".



Virtual pre-Congress Executive Board meeting



Elizabeth recognized all at the meetings with awards, and best supporting actress goes to Alison Crawshaw

Congress started with the opening of the exhibition and parade of nations; it was joyous to see everyone walking hand in hand and waving our flags, all orchestrated by Past President, Susan Stelton, ID USA, Rose Murphree, Congress Coordinator, Alison Crawshaw with Sharon Baranoski as Parade Mistress of ceremonies.



Susan Stelton Past WCET® President with Eisiah Abbas Saudi Arabian ID



After the Parade



After the Parade with Dr Kerlyn Carville at the AASTN & APETNA booth



Alison Crawshaw (WCET® Congress Coordinator) representing WCET® & Dea Kent WOCN® President opening the 2022 Joint Congress



Entertainment at the opening ceremony



WCET® EB members with Life Member Katherine Jeter

I was lucky enough to get to present on low anterior resection syndrome (LARS), pathophysiology, risk, assessment, diagnosis and management, a topic I am very passionate about as these individuals are currently not easily identified or managed. I moderated sessions on neurogenic bladder and lower urinary tract dysfunction by Dr Mikel Gray, one of our WOC legends and journal editor for *JWOCN*. Dr Gray was awarded a special honour by the President of WOCN® for his lifetime's work. I was very humbled to be asked to moderate for such an icon.

I also moderated on a very interesting session by James Kovarik and Tricia Zubert on continence and sexual health; I am very happy to say I learnt a lot from these sessions. I also very much enjoyed the poster and oral presentations. Laurent Chabal, Dee Waugh, Kimberley LeBlanc and I took part in a panel discussion moderated by Jan Colwell on caring for patients, an international perspective. I believe it highlighted our individual achievements and obstacles but also some similarities in issues from country to country. It was also wonderful to meet old friends and make new contacts. The WCET® booth was very busy with lots of



Dee Waugh and Mary Ann Obst, discussing enterocutaneous fistula care in South Africa and the USA

interest in membership and our mission and vision as a global organization. The general business meeting went ahead, we managed to have a quorum with inperson International Delegates, or their appointed representatives, which was a great relief during this time of travel issues related to COVID-19.

The closing ceremony was filled with some sadness in saying goodbye to Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, but also with laughter. Witnessing Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello hand over

the chains of office to Laurent Chabal, while a serious occasion, was also very lighthearted and humorous, with great hope for the future as we witnessed the new WCET® EB taking up office.



Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, providing a lighthearted view at the closing ceremony. The green boot representing her love of WCET® and the elegant footwear representing her New York position as co-editor in chief of Advances in Skin and Wound Care. WCET® Presidents and EB members do have challenging full time day jobs in addition to their charitable contributions to WCET®.





Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello hands over the WCET® Presidential Gavel and Chain of Office to Laurent Chabal the 13th WCET® President, in the company of Diana Gallagher, Treasurer, Alison Crawshaw, Congress Coordinator, and Denise Hibbert, President Elect (2022–2026), Julie Weng, Education Chair and Alice Chen, NNGF® Chair, joined the ceremony virtually.



Laurent Chabal, the incoming President 2022–2026 welcoming his new Executive Board members in true cowboy style



2022–2026 Executive Board Laurent Chabal, Diana Gallagher, Alison Crawshaw and Denise Hibbert (Julie Weng and Alice Chen joined virtually)





WCET® members congratulating the 13<sup>th</sup> WCET® President, Mr Laurent O. Chabal



WCET® members actively posting their attendance at the Congress

The post-Congress EB meeting was again attended both in person and virtually. We listened to our President present his vision and he listened to his teams' comments and suggestions. We discussed future plans and set dates for planned events. We said farewell and set off home to our own continents, countries and day jobs. Having arrived home, I have time to fully contemplate the reality of being nominated President Elect. I also have big shoes to fill; Laurent has been an amazing President Elect, and I believe Elizabeth has been very lucky but, as Nelson Mandel said, "It always feels impossible until its done". I promise I will always strive to do my best.



WCET® EB hard at work at the post-Congress EB meeting





Looking for Cowboy hats for the gala dinner, Alison Crawshaw and Dee Waugh at the famous Stockyard in Fort Worth, in good company with the longhorns



Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, President 2018–2022 and Laurent O. Chabal, President 2022–2026 on a night out with President John F. Kennedy Tribute in Fort Worth outside the Hilton Hotel



Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello and Laurent O. Chabal, still in step at the gala dinner



Gala dinner, Cowboy Ranch, WCET® with members of the AASTN

WCET® are now working on the 2024 Congress with the ASCN-UK which will be held in Glasgow, UK, from the 28<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024. Looking forward to seeing you there – block your calendar!!



# **WCET® President awards**

# **WCET® President awardees:**

- Dr Diane Krasner
- Paula Erwin-Toth
- Sally Thompson





Dr Diane Krasner and Paula Erwin-Toth receiving their President's Award from Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello. Sally Thompson attended virtually

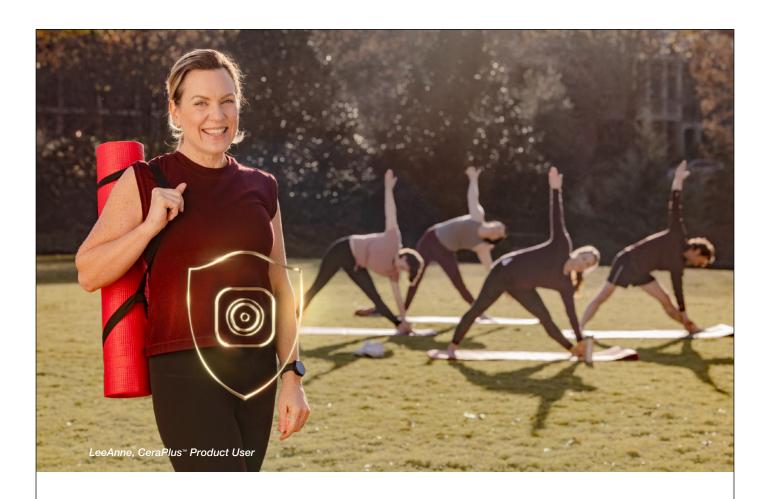
# **1st WCET® Honorary Member:**

 Greg Paull, for his long-time service and support of WCET®



Greg Paull, WCET® Honorary Member 2022, receiving his award from Dr Elizabeth A Ayello & Laurent Chabal





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# Was it 1512 or 6612 days?

Elizabeth A. Ayello – WCET® Immediate Past President

# "What you do today is important because you are exchanging a day of your life for it."

How do you measure things? After 1512 days as the 12<sup>th</sup> WCET® President and 6612 days on the WCET® Executive Board, I am now your immediate past president (IPP) and no longer on the EB. There is no official role for the IPP, but Laurent and Denise have asked me to continue my role as volunteer Associate Editor for the *bullETin* and I have said yes. I thank them both for the opportunity to continue to serve our association in this capacity. I will leave it to my WCET® colleagues to fill you in on the happenings at the Congress and awardees in this *bullETin*, but I do want to express WCET®'s gratitude to Paula Erwin Toth and Dr Diane L. Krasner for the Festschrift book that is now owned by WCET®; instead I will make my message a personal note to all of you.

As COVID-19 would have it, Texas was my first and last WCET® Congress to preside over as President, and for the 2020-2022 EB to have its first in-person meeting. Thanks to the wonderful individuals and supporting persons, this great team made it happen. Some were present physically in Texas, Laurent Chabal, Diana Gallagher, Greg Paull, Alison Crawshaw, Denise Hibbert, Susan Barber and Karen Hill. Fort Worth is actually the first time we got to meet Susan and Karen in person! Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Julie Weng and Alice Chen joined by Zoom. Given the 13-hour time difference between Texas and China, a huge thank you to Julie and Alice for their willingness to stay up late to participate in the pre-Congress EB meeting. Thank you again to Alison and Denise for their steadfast devotion and willingness to participate, even though you were non-voting members at our board meetings.

There is something about physical presence that Zoom has yet to capture but we did the best we could to continue moving WCET® forward. Together, this fantastic team of so many talented persons was able to achieve our agenda and finish preparing for the Congress. They deserve your utmost appreciation for a job well done. I like to laugh and have fun, so for me it was great to recognize those present by giving all of them special gold tone statues to thank them for their individual roles. Susan Barber has the statues for those attending by Zoom, so Alice and Julie will receive them at the next in-person EB meeting. I am sorry that I could not say goodbye in person to 2018-2020 EB members Arum Pratiwi and Karen Bruton who were unable to attend the Congress. When I was in Canada at the end of June, Karen did meet me outside of Toronto and I

was able to express our gratitude and give her a gift from WCET® for her volunteer service. WCET® has a plan so that Arum will also receive her gift from WCET® in the future.

Like many Americans, I remember exactly where I was when I heard the tragic news about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy on that Friday in November 1963. He spent the last night of his life in the same hotel that the WCET® EB stayed in for Congress. It is now called the Hilton. Although not the room President Kennedy slept in, there is a suite dedicated to him which is filled with photos of him and his family, the crowds greeting him in Fort Worth and other milestones.



The entrance to my hotel room, the JFK suite. It is not the room that President Kennedy slept in but rather a tribute to him and his family. It was the most beautiful hotel room I have ever seen.



Photo of President Kennedy and Mrs Kennedy



Presidents are always deep in thought



The entrance hallway has the presidential seal of the USA – very impressive

The hotel's ballroom was the last place he addressed a crowd before getting into the car to drive to Dallas. So very historic for me and a special remembrance to spend my last night as WCET® President in a suite named for him.

What a joy to see so many long-time colleagues at the Congress. You all looked great. The hugs and the happiness of being around WCET® members, IDs, industry partners and all is truly indescribable. We all know that WCET® is an amazing organization. Norma Gill took her personal health journey and made the world better, and that is what we stoma, wound and continence care nurses do. What you do is so very important. You may never know the impact of your patient care and where it will go. The ripple effect of your care goes beyond the person to their circle of care, their family and more. It can impact generations to come.

Yes, the 'COVID' years brought new challenges for all of us. But when life gets tough, hold onto your dreams, like Norma did, and make things better. What at first seemed impossible caused us to rethink and reimagine care delivery. I believe that when something goes wrong in your life, just yell "plot twist" and move on. Relook at **im**possible with different eyes and see instead I'm possible.

Words are important to me, so I want to leave you with some of the words from my closing remarks at the closing ceremony of this historic joint WCET® WOCN® Congress – see next page. Don't forget to spend each of your days well. As Maya Angelou said "Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."

Wishing you all the best, Elizabeth

Dr Elizabeth A Ayello Immediate Past President of WCET®

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# Highlights from Dr Ayello's, WCET® President 2018–2022, remarks at the closing ceremony of the Joint WCET® WOCN® Congress

"Start spreading the news" I have concluded my term as WCET® President as of today 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022: I am going back to New York, New York!! The city that never sleeps but dreams big. So did others dream, Norma, other WCET® pioneers and leaders and your WCET® EB over the last 4 years, but more importantly they were all doers and achievers.

I want to thank everyone for the tremendous opportunity given to me to serve WCET® from 2004 to 2022. First to serve as your volunteer Executive Journal Editor, then as your WCET® Vice President and now successfully completing my term as WCET® President. No one walks the path alone or, in my case, dances. My sincere appreciation to all of you who supported the WCET®'s mission, with special recognition to the EB board and leadership support team who have given so much time and effort to ensure a successful WCET® organization, as well as our SJP partners and donors. How thrilling it is for me personally to be ending my time as WCET® President in front of my home country in the USA and to have partnered with WOCN® for this joint Congress. I am so grateful and appreciate everyone who worked so diligently to make this Congress a huge success. WCET® has been working for years to educate nurses. In these past "COVID-challenge years", we refused to let a pandemic stop us from delivering our mission and everybody buckled up and faced each next obstacle and challenge with the most pliability imaginable. For that they deserve your deepest admiration and gratitude.

I will miss the moments of great joy, but also those that were less enjoyable, but each one of those also developed me and my team into becoming persons of extraordinary resilience and resolve as an extraordinary team. My guiding light has been act while you have the strength, the will and the means. It is in tough times that you really see who came prepared for the challenge, willing to walk the walk, and talk the talk. Hope is the feather that reminds us to have wings, so we can soar and accomplish. Thank you to my family (Scott, Sarah, Wendy and Andrei), while there are many, a special mention to friends Roberta, Katie, Gary, Sharon, Karen, Hiske, Gulnaz, Barbara and Bharat, and my stunning team that have walked, danced, no, flown, so diligently through this presidential term with me so WCET® has soared to new heights.

I love mnemonics. My parting words as your WCET® president are to leave you with a mnemonic that you might be familiar with, but I invite you to look at it with a new and perhaps different perspective or new insight. I believe they have the power to become life beacons for yourself and others.

**W: WRITE:** Words matter! Get the work that you have done PUBLISHED, regardless, if you have developed new approaches into bed side enablers, tested or made creative clinical solutions or did fully fledged research work. If it is not written, it is not done. There are many great journals out there waiting for your manuscripts, including the *WCET® Journal* which for several years is now proudly available in five languages – English, Chinese, French, Portuguese and Spanish. Thank you to our SJP translation partners. I am so proud of this achievement.

C: CARE, CORE, CHANGE, COMMUNICATE, CONNECT AND CREATE: Let's start with CARE: The motto of my school of nursing (Hunter College Bellevue School of Nursing) said "The care of the future is mine". I have tried to be true to that. We must be future-focused but act in the present to get to where we want to be in the future. Mentor the next generation and those who will follow in your footsteps, and along that path, don't forget to care about each other with compassion and kindness. CORE: Be true to your core values and plan everything around how you put them into action. CHANGE: Do not resist change, as that is many times the doorway to great new opportunities. It often requires a new way of thinking that broadens perspective and often initiates that spectacular outcome when evidence is correctly applied into practice. COMMUNICATE: Remember that words have meaning and that they have great power, use them well. CONNECT: Build your relationships – thank you Susan for representing us at NPIAP. We are grateful for the MOUs we have with so many professional organizations around the world. Together, we are healing and making it a better place for people around the world. CREATE: That ideal future you are dreaming of, it cannot happen if you do not make it happen. There is an old adage that urges us into action by simply saying: "If it is to be, it is up to me, but I think it means we, we meaning the team". Be the Michelangelo of stoma care with stunning stoma structures of safety built for your patients. Be the Da Vinci of wound and continence care digging deep into understanding the science. Be the

Florence Nightingale willing to take on a system if it fails patients and hurts their skin integrity. Use statistics to make things better.

**E: EDUCATE, EVIDENCE:** My parents always taught me that "Education changes lives"; my patients confirmed that to me time after time again. Use **EVIDENCE** (Data not Chatta). Learn and teach what you know is right and teach that to as many people as possible. It is my sincere hope that you gained new knowledge, evidence, and perspectives at this international Congress that will make a fantastic impact to your bedside care and health institution. Lifelong learning is not a luxury any longer. In the fast, changing world, we currently live in, it is **ESSENTIAL**. But, remember, knowledge from your learning must be put into action in your practice to make a difference and you must have a plan for sustainability.

**T: TEAM:** Gather, nurture and treasure your team. You will work hard but do build in fun with your team. Remember the five components of extraordinary teams that Lee Rubin spoke about during his Congress keynote address. Extraordinary teams exist because the job is too big for one person to do it; take the challenge but use it as an opportunity: So, operatize his five Cs:

- Competitors
- Common goals
- Communicate, communicate, communicate
- Chemistry
- Consistency

Thank you again to those who were able to be present in Texas – Laurent Chabal, WCET® President Elect, Diana Gallagher, WCET® Treasurer, Alison Crawshaw, WCET® Congress and Meeting Coordinator, Denise Hibbert, WCET® Congress Scientific Committee Chairperson, Greg Paull WCET® Journal Publisher and former Congress and Meeting Coordinator, Dee Waugh. Those virtually present: Julie Weng, WCET® Education Committee Chairperson, Alice Chen, WCET® NNGF® Committee Chairperson, Hiske Smart, WCET® Constitution Advisory Panel Chairperson, Jenny Prentice, WCET® Journal Editor, Gordon McDade, Graphic Designer, and all the past presidents and leadership upon whose shoulders we stand.

Thank you to my amazing volunteer team for concluding my term on this high note. Laurent, you know I could not have done this without you as my leadership partner and for that I am ever so thankful. We have planned and prepared for this day of Change for WCET® for the orderly transition. I'll be cheering them on always. We all need to support WCET® President Laurent O. Chabal and his team so that WCET® will achieve even more and keep getting better and better.

Regards,

Elizabeth



Award for best actor 2018–2022 goes to Laurent Chabal

# WOCNext® 2022 and the value of Congress

### Diana Gallagher – WCET® Treasurer



I recently returned from Fort Worth, Texas and the WCET® – WOCN® Joint Congress (WOCNext® 2022). The WOCN® society is primarily focused on American nurses specialized in wound, ostomy, and continence care, with your organization, WCET®, the organization for nurses working in these same specialties worldwide. The event held from 4th-8th June

offered wonderful lectures, the opportunity to network with peers, and a glimpse into emerging research along with posters.

Over my almost three decades as a specialty nurse, I have been lucky enough to attend the overwhelming majority of the WOCN® conferences, several WCET® congresses, and other national and regional conferences. This event reminded me of the critical benefits of attending these in-person educational events.

Before COVID-19 led to the cancellation of in person events, I had only ever missed attending a conference for one year. That year, I remember feeling that I was working at a disadvantage all year and promised myself to never put myself in that position again. The issue was that there were new products and practices that I was not aware of, and my patients did not have the benefit of those options. Likewise, there was new information and research that again limited what I could offer to my patients to maintain the highest level of evidence based practice.

I know that attending educational events is expensive in both time and money. I understand the sacrifice of time away from family and work. I fully appreciate how demanding and tiring attending a conference can be, with early morning breakfast seminars and then a full day followed by dinner seminars and then networking with friends. However, what is gained is so worth the effort to both your professional development and the enhanced expertise you can then offer patients.

If you were not able to attend Congress this year, I encourage you to plan now for the 2024 Congress in Glasgow, Scotland. It promises to be an amazing congress in a spectacular venue. In the meantime, look at other opportunities. In the United States, as in many other countries, we will have smaller but no less valuable regional conferences throughout the year. For example, the South Central region will host their regional conference in New Orleans, Louisiana from 24<sup>th</sup>–26<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Fall is the normal time for

the majority of regional conferences in the USA; the majority are 2–3 days long. There are also a number of regions across the globe who are also planning for their upcoming events such as the 43<sup>rd</sup> AASTN and 10<sup>th</sup> APETNA Conference 13<sup>th</sup>–16<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

I encourage you to seek educational opportunities that are both near and far. In my career, I have never been disappointed in my choice to attend an educational conference. It is a gift that you give yourself and your patients. As Nelson Mandela shared, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

# What a Congress 2022



Fort Worth Convention Center

### Jacqeline Metzger – Swiss International Delegate

The WCET® WOCN® Joint Congress was an absolute highlight for me. First of all, of course, I was very proud to be there as my compatriot Laurent Chabal was appointed as the newly elected President of the WCET®.

I was impressed by the many committed vocational colleagues, from all over the world, whom I got to know and who presented very interesting studies professionally. With the wide range of high-calibre speakers, it was sometimes really difficult for me to choose the lectures I wanted to attend. I will certainly never forget the five 'Cs' of a top team (competitors, common goals, communicate, communicate, communicate, chemistry and consistency), presented by the Keynote Speaker, Lee Rubin. Also the amusing and very informative presentation on sexuality and ostomy in the morning seminar will remain my best memory.

The supporting program was great and allowed me to

make new contacts from all over the world in a relaxed setting and at the same time enjoy an insight into the local culture and cuisine (see pictures below showing me with my new friends from around the world). I will definitely be back in Glasgow in 2024.



Susan Stelton, WCET® President 2014–2018 and myself



Me with Guadalupe Maria Lobo Cordero, Past WCET® Mexico's International Delegate



Widassari Gitarja from Indonesia and myself



Me at the Gala dinner which had a cowboy dress code



Me at the exhibit hall in national costume

# **News from WCET® Congress scholarship recipients**

What a great experience from WCET® & WOCN® Joint Congress, 5th-8th June 2022

### Upul Pathmasena - WOC Nurse, Sri Lanka



I was very fortunate to be one of the WCET® Congress scholarship recipients. And I was lucky to get my visa just in time to attend this meeting in person. I am so glad that I was able to participate in the WOCNext 2022 in Fort Worth, Texas,

USA. It is a very big landmark in my nursing career.

During the Congress, I was able to gather knowledge and information about new products, clinical



Honoured to be at the International Delegate table representing my country

knowledge, and skill, which I will be using in delivering better care for all my patients, and also share among my colleagues in Sri Lanka. I also was able to represent my country at the WCET® General Business Meeting and vote on behalf of the WCET® Ski Lankan members.

I was also privileged to meet some of the most influential personalities in the ostomy, wound and continence (OWC) care specialty in the world and I am so grateful to WCET® for the scholarship granted to me in recognizing my work.

With Dr Elizabeth A Ayello, WCET® President 2018–2022 and Laurent Chabal, WCET® President 2022–2026







With Greg Paull, the first WCET® Honorary Member and WCET® Journal publisher



With Dea Kent, WOCN® President

I had the opportunity to learn about how to make a good team with good leadership. It was also a great honour to give my first international free paper.



Overall, it was a unique way of networking, learning, sharing and to have some fun. Thank you so much to WCET® and WOCNext® committee for this opportunity to participate and share my experience and to hear from others also.



Gala dinner with my WCET® colleagues from other parts of the world

Many thanks to WCET® for its contribution in uplifting the care of stoma patients by enhancing the knowledge and expertise of stoma care professionals worldwide.

Thank you and wishing you all the best for future endeavors.

# Gaining an international perspective: A personal experience

### Sushma Paudel, UK



I was very fortunate to be afforded the opportunity, by a WCET® Congress Travel Scholarship (CTS), to attend the WCET® joint Congress with WOCN® in Fort Worth, Texas from 4th – 8th June 2022. The primary aim of this conference was to support the World Council of Enterostomal Therapists (WCET®) and the Wound, Ostomy,

and Continence Nurse Society (WOCN®) in advancing the practice and guiding the delivery of expert health care to patients. At this conference I presented on the topic of living with an ostomy in the LGBTQIA (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, (questioning), intersex, asexual, and agender) community. I felt very proud, standing in front of this international audience, especially because it was the month of June and I was talking about LGBTQ+ people, while at the same time the whole world was celebrating the Pride Parade.

The main aim of my topic was to create an awareness and consideration when delivering care to these patients. This conference has enhanced my knowledge greatly on various practices globally, for example, the history and current trends in intestinal rehabilitation and transplantation. Another highlight for me was gaining a perspective of challenges faced in obtaining ostomy supplies around the world. It was a great experience to hear what happens in stoma care globally.

In relation to changing practice, I will be sharing the current evidence demonstrating that convexity may be used on zero day of the surgery; as stoma nurses we still hesitate to use convexity immediately postoperatively, so having this evidence-based information will support me in sharing this change with my colleagues.

Attending this conference has made me very confident in discussing LGBTQ+ issues in stoma care. Moreover, attending the WCET® WOCN®, WOCNext® 2022 Joint Congress has embedded in me the importance of taking proactive steps to contribute to wider improvement initiatives, while bringing a positive mindset to new ideas in my department back home.



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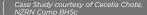
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# Introduction of the new WCET® International Delegate: China (2022–2024)

Meng Xiao Jiang, Sun Yat-Sen University, China



Wu Ling, Chinese ID 2022–2024

Wu Ling is Professor of Nursing at the Affiliated Drum Tower Hospital, Medical School of Nanjing University. She is one of the earliest enterostomal therapists (ETs) certified in China at a WCET® recognized ETNEP, and an outstanding representative of the expert team of wound, ostomy and

continence care in the Jiangsu Province. In recent years, under the leadership and deployment of Jiangsu Nursing Association, breakthrough achievements have been made in the construction of the professional nursing system, and talent level, of wound, ostomy and continence in Jiangsu province.

In terms of professional system construction, the Wound, Ostomy and Continence Committee of Jiangsu Nursing Society participated in, or led, the creation of a number of professional nursing community standards (consensus guidelines) and the development of specialist nurse training materials and popular clinical specialist nursing science books and videos based on the latest evidence. They have also completed the construction and monitoring of relevant quality indicators, and made outstanding contributions to the improvement of the nursing system of wound, ostomy and continence in China. This has culminated in winning the first prize of the Excellent Special Committee of Jiangsu Nursing Association and the first award from the excellent organization of the Special Committee of Nursing of the Chinese Nursing Association.

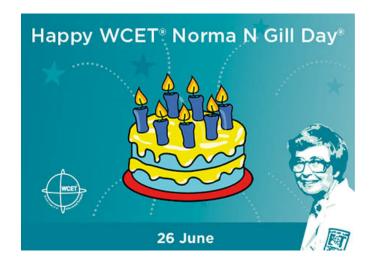
In terms of specialist personnel training, the management framework of Jiangsu ET, "Chairman, Deputy Chairmen, Regional level City Liaisons, ETs / WOC Specialist Nurses," becomes increasingly mature. Nearly 300 Chinese ETs / WOC specialist nurses (wound, ostomy and continence specialist nurses) have been united in the whole province and have built a perfect multi-level training system for specialist nursing. Nanjing International Ostomy Therapist School has been running high quality programs for 15 years and has trained nearly 400 ET graduates throughout the country. Jiangsu Province, Jinling Wound School, held nine classes, training more than 350 special wound care nurses; additionally, a lymphedema comprehensive treatment of swelling has successfully run for 4 years, having trained more than 140 specialist nurses. In addition, continuing education of specialized nurses and general education of clinical nurses are carried out through continuing education training courses at all levels. In order to meet the growing demand for specialized nursing in the aging society, the province has gradually built a network of nursing specialists for wound, ostomy and continence.

Through trials and hardships, ingenuity builds ideas. As Ms Wu Ling said, "Self-recommendation for the election stems from the love of the professional nursing career, to further promote the professional development of Chinese ETs and contribute to international standards". It is believed that Ms Wu Ling will live up to expectations, perform her duties as an international delegate (ID), build a good bond between WCET® national members and the WCET® Executive Board, and work hard for Chinese ETs to flourish on the international stage.

# Norma N. Gill Day® celebrations

As all WCET® members and supporters know, 26<sup>th</sup> June is Norma N. Gill (NNG) Day® in honour of Norma's birthday. Thank you to those who have already sent celebratory stories and photographs; for those of you who haven't you can still send for the next *bullETin* issue 3.

Happy WCET® Norma N. Gill Day® 26th June 2022



26th June 2022

Dear WCET® members,

It is our great joy on behalf of the Executive Board to wish you a very happy 2022 WCET® Norma N. Gill Day®. This is a day that we celebrate that, 102 years ago, our founder and first WCET® President Norma N. Gill was born. Norma was an extraordinary woman who turned her personal medical situation into a mission to educate nurses so that patients everywhere could benefit from expert ostomy care. We hope that the treasure chest of ideas that you were sent by the NNGF® Committee were helpful in planning your celebratory event(s) for this day. We look forward to hearing about them. Please submit them for consideration for publication in the WCET® bullETin by emailing them to: wcet.bulletin@cambridgemedia.com.au.

As we commemorate Norma, please know that your Executive Board continues to be very proud of all of you. Like Norma, you have continued on to meet the challenge and make it better for your patients despite all odds, especially those still being challenged by COVID-19. Congratulations to all of you for once again demonstrating the resiliency and dedication of WCET® members. We applaud your well-washed hands and wish you a very joyous day.

Until then, stay safe, well, and be blessed.

With heartfelt thanks

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WCET® President Elect

# Communication, innovation and integration: The expert forum on the current trends of wound, ostomy and continence care successfully held

Yajuan Weng, Shan Dong & Min Wei – Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital, China



On 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022, to celebrate the 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital, affiliated to Nanjing University Medical School, and to commemorate Norma N. Gill's Birthday, the nursing department of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital held The expert forum on the current trends of

wound, ostomy and continence care.

The experts and scholars joined both online and offline to enjoy an academic feast. Directors of wound, ostomy and continence committees from 15 other provinces, six heads of enterostomal therapists (ET) schools, and hundreds of ETs from around the country attended the forum online. More than 50 ETs from Nanjing and more than 100 group members of the wound, ostomy and continence nursing from Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital attended the forum in person. Eight sister hospitals of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital carried out simultaneous live streaming.

At the opening ceremony, Ms Yan Chen, the Chief Nursing Executive of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital, expressed a warm welcome and heartfelt gratitude to all the experts and scholars to participate in this forum. She hoped that all the participants could share, develop and gain a lot through this forum.



Ms Yan Chen, the Chief Nursing Executive of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital

Dr Genglin Mu, President of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital, appreciated the great contribution of the wound, ostomy and continence care team in Jiangsu Province. He said this forum was a great opportunity to further deepen the international academic exchange.



Dr Genglin Mu, President of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital



Ms Xiaorong Huo, President of Jiangsu Nursing Association, spoke highly of this forum. She hoped that the wound, ostomy and continence nursing team would achieve added success by more communications to achieve the high-quality nursing development.



Ms Xiaorong Huo, President of Jiangsu Nursing Association

Ms Xinjuan Wu, President of the Chinese Nursing Association, delivered a congratulatory message online. She expected this forum would establish a high-quality academic exchange platform for the domestic and foreign wound, ostomy and continence nursing field.



Ms Xinjuan Wu, President of the Chinese Nursing Association delivered a congratulatory message online

Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, President of WCET® (2018–2022), expressed warm congratulations on the 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital. Laurent O Chabal, President of WCET® (2022–2026), and Denise Hibbert, President Elect of WCET® (2022–2026), sent wishes that the academic forum would achieve complete success, applauding the vigorous development of wound, ostomy and continence care in China.



Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, President of WCET® (2018–2022)



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#### **Forum content**

The content of this forum includes three parts – wound care, continence care and ostomy care respectively.

#### Wound care

Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, President of WCET® (2018–2022), Ling Wang, Chairperson of the Wound and Ostomy Committee of the Chinese Nursing Association, Peng Zhang, Member of the Therapist Alliance of Guangdong Rehabilitation Medicine Development Research Association, and Ling Wu, Chairperson of Wound and Ostomy Committee of Jiangsu Nursing Association, gave speeches on The update of the clinical strategy for pressure injury, The development progress of wound, ostomy and continence care in China, The trend of wound treatment in the post-epidemic era, and The application of kinesiology tapes on wounds.



Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, President WCET® (2018–2022)

#### Continence care

Laurent O. Chabal, President of WCET®, Xudong Li, Chief Physician of the First Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University, and Julie (Yajuan) Weng, Chairperson of WCET® Education Committee from Nanjing DrumTower Hospital, discussed The application of intermittent catheterization in neurogenic bladder, Malone's irrigation procedure and Fecal incontinence care.



Laurent O. Chabel, President of WCET®



Malone procedure

### Ostomy care

Denise Hibbert, President Elect of WCET®, Aiwen Wu, Chief Physician of Beijing Cancer Hospital, Meichun Zheng, Chief Nurse of Sun Yat-Sen University Cancer Center, and Hui Zhu, Vice Director of Tianjin ET School, shared information about the non-surgical treatment of ostomy complications, clinical practice of ostomy location, progress of ostomy management and health education.



Denise Hibbert, President Elect of WCET®

Three ETs – Cui Yao, from Jiangsu Provincial People's Hospital Colorectal Surgery, Lei Guo, from the Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences Dermatology Hospital, and Min Wei from Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital – shared clinically complicated case reports about wound and stoma care.

Finally, Julie (Yajuan) Weng, Chairperson of WCET® Education committee, expressed her gratitude to all



Julie (Yajuan) Weng, Chairperson of WCET® Education committee made a summary of the event



Group photo of ETs from Nanjing

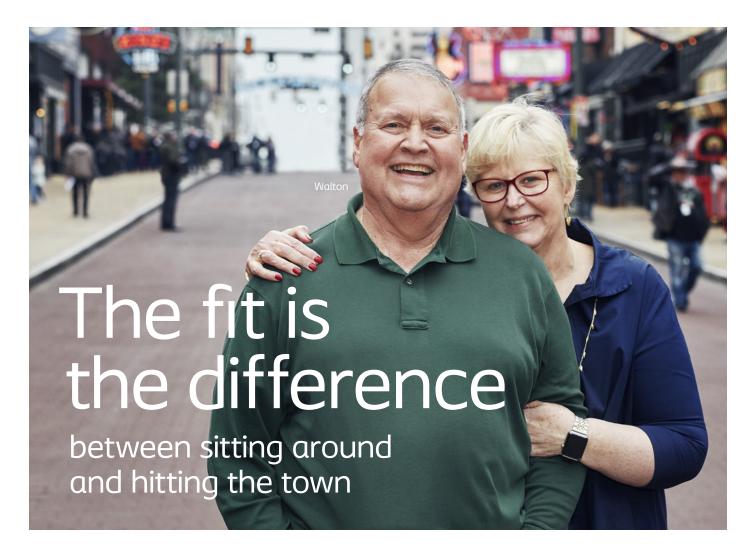


Group photo of members of the wound, ostomy and continence nursing group of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital

the online and offline experts and participants, taking a group photo with Nanjing ETs and members of the wound, ostomy and continence nursing group of the hospital.

This forum provides a platform for mutual cooperation and external networking for the development of wound, ostomy and continence specialist nursing. In the future, the wound, ostomy and continence nursing group of Nanjing Drum Tower Hospital will actively explore several innovative development models, striving to achieve a more competitive and influential development of wound ostomy and continence specialist nursing.





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# Special tribute to NORMA on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022 on her 102-year birthday

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I met Norma in October 1995 when I was selected to join the first Wound, Ostomy, Continence Nursing Education Program, sponsored by ConvaTec, in Princess Margaret Hospital, Hong Kong, a 10-week program aimed at training Asian nurses to become enterostomal therapists

(ETs). I value that moment so much because I had the opportunity to meet Norma and converse with her, along with Marilyn Spencer, in person. It was a pivotal moment and helped widen my network.

Myself, and a few nurses trained in Australia, were the pioneers of enterostomal therapy in Malaysia, and this was the starting point. Norma has been an inspiration to all who have a passion for enterostomal therapy nursing; I am glad, and very grateful, to be among thousands of ETs worldwide who are able to help those who have needs in this specialty.

I left for Hong Kong with a desire and enthusiasm to learn something new in a nursing specialization, that at that time, few knew existed. I used to ask my surgeon why many patients had skin excoriation following ostomy surgery, and the answer that I got was "no one is trained to take care of them". I answered him "then send someone for the training", he responded that there was no one available to his knowledge. So, we talked about it and decided to look for such a training program. He approached ConvaTec to enquire about training; the timing was crucial, I was selected to attend the program in Hong Kong.

After my return from the program, I was excited to do so many things, at the same time working very hard to prove how the skills and knowledge I had gained could benefit patients. Nothing comes easy, I had to face many challenges, sweat, tears, but I am proud to share this with you on Norma N. Gill Day, and to say that what we all promised Norma has been achieved.

Years ago, I wrote a special poem for Norma to share and express her journey and our promise to her.

THIS SPECIAL POEM IS WRITTEN BY ME FOR A VERY SPECIAL LADY WHO ALSO THE MOTHER OF ENTEROSTOMAL THERAPIST NORMA N. GILL THOMPSON 1920 – 1998

#### NORMA

Norma N. Gill, a lady with mission ETN was born due to her commitment June 26, a day to celebrate Because she was born on that date

Norma is the person with great dedication
She travels a very long way to reach her ambition
To her the struggle and difficulties is just a small portion
To bring together the whole nation

Norma, we made a promise to you Whatever you left we will continue On Norma N. Gill Day the promise is renew This journey will continue in the memory of you

A poem for Norma by Mariam Mohd Nasir



Activities for 2022

Ostomy patients and their families attended a free consultation day. The majority of ostomates needed counselling, someone to talk to and share with; we also changed their bag for free. We gave away free bags donated by Hospice Malaysia including some



accessories like paste and powder. We provided light  $refreshments\, and\, a\, gift\, of love\, of\, a\, Norma\, N.\, Gill\, tumbler,$ a solution for stoma cleansing and a pouch donated by ConvaTec (see photographs below showcasing the NNG Day® in Malaysia).























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### NNG Day® webinar 2022



NNG Day® speakers

# Norma N. Gill Day<sup>®</sup> 2022 at HOSPICE Casa Sperantei, Romania

# Cristina E. Darabont International Delegate, Romania

Norma N. Gill, a great profile with an exceptional motivation and an inspiring professional whose work and dedication had a remarkable impact on both patients and trainees, over so many years! We are humbled to honor her outstanding work and passion commemorating 102 years from her birth. In observance of this anniversary and to praise her work, HOSPICE organized two different events:

Firstly, for nurses working in palliative care services, we ran two thematic workshops (one in Brasov and one in Bucharest) on peristomal moisture-associated skin damage (PMASD). We used interactive methods and demonstrations on two mannequins, the content and the methods being highly appreciated by the participants. Below you can see some images illustrating the educational events appreciated by the participants.



Nurses working in palliative care services attending one of the workshops



PMASD workshop





Nurses discussing product use



Nurses discussing product use

HOSPICE Casa Sperantei is a promoter of the palliative care services at a national level and one of the leaders of this type of care in Europe, being worldwide known and appreciated. It is the largest non-profit medical organization working in the field of palliative care in Romania, which provides free of charge services for patients and their families. In 2002, it was designated as a center of excellence and model in palliative care and education in Central & Eastern Europe and Asia. The HOSPICE Casa Sperantei Foundation promotes palliative care through educational, information and advocacy programs at a national and international level. We provide palliative care services in two regions of the country, in urban and rural areas, for adults and children; these services include home care, admission to the in-patient unit, consultations in the out-patient clinic (where breast prostheses, stoma therapy, and sensorial therapy are provided as well), and activities within the adult and children's day centres.

Secondly, for patients who have undergone stoma surgery within the last 6 months, we organized a meeting for the 'juniors', with the objective to facilitate full recovery through education, information, peer support and access to specialized services. Specialized professionals and 'senior patients' (having their stoma years ago, the longest for 29 years), presented at the meeting, sharing their experience.

Unfortunately in Romania the need for this kind of service and the activities of the stoma therapists are not recognized, but this does not stop us working to educate ourselves and others, in order to protect and increase the quality of the services provided and the quality of life for our patients.

# Celebrating Norma N. Gill Day® in Switzerland

#### Noémie Metzener, ET, RN

After 2 years of COVID-19 health restrictions, when we all had to celebrate Norma N. Gill Day® via Zoom or on our own, finally we were able to meet in person and celebrate this year. For this special day we journeyed to the Moleson mountain. We were very lucky regarding the weather as the days before and afterwards were so cold, windy and rainy. We were able to enjoy a beautiful sunny hot day for our hike. We ate excellent typical local food from the Gruyère region (cheese, Benichon's mustard, cuchole, meringue and double cream). We also celebrated the well-deserved retirement of Karen Riesen from her enterostomal therapy (ET) job in home care. She was the WCET® Swiss ID 2013–2017.





A few of us walked up the entire mountain



L-R: Noémie Metzener, Claire Genoud (WCET® Swiss ID 2017–2021), Christine Vurloz, Nadia Hadj-Ali, Karen Riesen (WCET® Swiss ID 2013–2017), Laurent Chabal (WCET® President), Elodie Jouin, Andrea Bessane, Nathalie Mangin, Virginie Vieille





Walking in nature surrounded by cows

# In celebration of Norma N. Gill Day<sup>®</sup>: Education webinar 2022

#### Denise Hibbert, WCET® President Elect

In celebration of NNG Day® the WCET® Education Committee Webinar Task Force organized a special edition half day webinar, which was free for members, on the current trends in the management of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). The event was chaired by Julie Weng, Education Committee Chairperson, coordinated by Michelle Lee, and produced by Susan Barber, Melissa Striharsky and Emily Clifford of Barcami Lane. We would like to thank the sponsors, Dr Diane Krasner, PhD RN FAAN FAAWC MAPWCA, Wound & Skin Care Consultant, York, Pennsylvania, Martha R Kelso, Chief Executive Officer, Wound Care Plus, LLC and Ayello, Harris & Associates, Inc, for their generous contribution to our learning.



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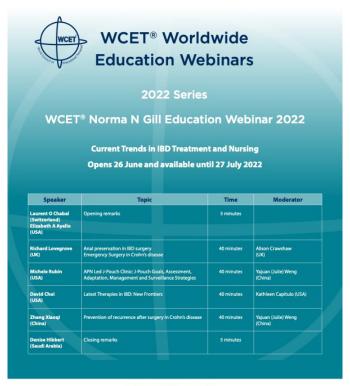


Martha R Kelso, Chief Executive Officer, Wound Care Plus, LLC



Dr Elizabeth A Ayello, President of Ayello, Harris & Associates, Inc.

WCET® graciously thanks our speakers and moderators. Dr Richard Lovegrove from the UK spoke on Anal preservation in IBD and emergency surgery in Crohn's disease. Michelle Rubin from the USA discussed APN-led J-pouch clinics: Assessment, adaptation, management and surveillance strategies. David Choi explained the latest therapies in IBD, while Zhang Xiaoqi debated the prevention and recurrence after surgery for Crohn's disease. President Laurent O. Chabal and Past President Dr Elizabeth A Ayello opened the webinar day, while Alison Crawshaw, Julie Weng and Dr Kathleen Capitulo moderated sessions and President Elect Denise Hibbert provided the closing remarks.



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#### WCET® Worldwide Education Webinar Speakers



Richard Lovegrove is a Consultant Colorectal and General Surgeon with an interest in the surgical management of inflammatory bowel as well as the management of colorectal cancer. He works the Worcestershire Actute Hospitals NHS Trust, where he has been a consultant since 2015. Richard is one of a small number of surgeons in the UK undertaking Kock pouch surgery. Richard qualified from King's College School of Medicine and Dentisty and completed his House Jobs and Basic Surgical Training in the North West Thames region of the London Deanery, He degree under the supervision of Professor Paris Tekks and Professor John Nicholls at Imperial College comes after iteal pouch surgery. It was during this period that he helped establish the UK National

IBD Surgery Clinical Fellow.

Richard undertook an international fellowship, spending a year as the University of Toronto's Clinical Fellow in Colorecta Surgery. During this period he worked at Mount Sinai Hospital gaining further experience in complex IBD surgery, Richard has published a number of peer-reviewed papers, book chapters and reports as well as presented at numerous national and international meetings.



Michele Rubin

Advanced Practice Nurse certified as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in IBD and certified as a Gastroenterology Nurse. She has 43 years of experience in Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) at the University of Chicago Medicine (UCM) ranging from positions in nursing leadership, IBD research, to IBD Clinical Nurse Specialist. She is also the Associate Director of the IBD Center and Director of Advanced Practice Nursing at the University of Chicago Medicine (UCM). Michele is a nown leader and lecture on IBD across the country for various organisations. She has authored and co-authored numerous articles and has participated in research focusing on IBD. Michele was the 2016 Midwest Regional and the National ECM (Giving Excellence Meaning) Award for "Excellence in Community Care" by Murse.com. She is a professional member of the Crohn's and of their families as well as with the National Crohn's and Collist Foundation Uniting to Care & Cure Award June 2020. the has been a two time chair of the National CCP Nurse and Advanced Practice Provider Committee, continues as a rrent member and chairs the APP Preceptorship Committee that provides a 3 day educational opportunity for 15 APP picitants to shadow in 4 Centers of IBD excellence across the country and in this last year turned the program into a 5 yvirtual program during COVID.



Clinical Pharmacy Specialist – Inflammatory Bowel Disease

David Choi completed his Doctor of Pharmacy degree at the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. He went on to complete his PCPI Pharmacy Resident and FCPZ Ambiotatory residency a The Johns Hopkins Hospital. He is currently a clinical pharmacy specialist at University of Chicago Medicine practicing in Inflammatory Bowel Disease. He is very excited about advocating for increased pharmacists frole in gastroenterology/hepathology as well as nportance for patient advocacy in receiving the care they require



Zhang Xiaoqi

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President Laurent O. Chabal introducing the WCET® promotional video

#### WCET® promotional video released for NNG Day<sup>®</sup> celebrations!

The WCET® Executive Board and the NNGF® Promotional Video Taskforce are very excited that we were able to release the WCET® video in time for the NNG Day® celebrations. The video was produced by A.J. Cincotta-Eichenfield and we thank him for his patience and expertise. We thank the taskforce members and speakers, Dr Elizabeth A. Ayello, Dr Kathleen Capitulo, Alice Chen, Julie Weng, Elizabeth English, Lillian Saidi, Silas Mlingera, Mary Ikaria, Josephine Gachango, Diane Gallagher, from our management company, Susan Barber and Melissa Striharsky, President Laurent Chabal and President Elect Denise Hibbert.

A very special thanks goes to Sally Thompson, Norma Gill's daughter, who never fails to get involved in supporting efforts towards WCET®'s mission and vision and the work of her Mum, Norma N Gill. We hope you enjoy the video but more importantly please share with all your contacts via email, WhatsApp, WeChat, and via social media. If you are not yet following WCET®

on social media please do so on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and Instagram.

#### Denise Hibbert

"Dear Laurent.... BRAVO ON THE VIDEO Presentation. Do please thank and congratulate the participants. Norma would be ecstatic at the growth and very real success of the WCET®... more importantly, as I watch the spreading of the word, knowledge and clinical skills to previously 'dry' areas of the world I am enormously proud of all the components of our organization, who in 50 years have revolutionized the lives of so many,.... and are now RECOGNISED as an essential SPECIALIST NURSING SKILL".

#### Warm regards

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#### **Norma's Circle founding members**

Aihua (Alice) Chen WCET® NNGF® Chairperson 2020–2024



Norma's Circle is an elite WCET® fundraising program which was inaugurated on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021, on Norma N. Gill Day®. Created by the Norma N. Gill Foundation® Committee in memory of the WCET® founder, Norma's Circle raises funds to support scholarships for specialized

ostomy, wound and continence education for nurses in developing countries and towards the work of Norma N. Gill Foundation®. Open to all WCET® members, industry partners, lifetime members, International Delegates

(IDs) and anyone who supports the important work of WCET®, membership is £200 for the first year and £100 for subsequent years.

Over the past year, Norma's Circle has expanded to include 52 members from across the globe. WCET® is very appreciative to all those who have joined Norma's Circle, continuing to build her legacy and continue the important mission of WCET®. Founding members are those who joined by 26th June 2022; they are recognized here.

Laurent Chabal, Switzerland



Dee Waugh, South Africa

Dr Elizabeth A Ayello, USA





Denise Hibbert,



Kathleen Capitulo, USA



Diana Gallagher, USA



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# Brazilian Association of Enterostomal Therapy – SOBEST®: News from Brazil

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Vera Lucia Conceição de Gouveia Santos, PhD, RN, ETN [TiSOBEST Emerit] Sônia Regina Pérez Evangelista Dantas, PhD, RN, ETN [TiSOBEST]

The 3<sup>rd</sup> São Paulo Congress of Enterostomal Therapy, the CPE, was SOBEST®'s first in-person event after 2 years of social distancing due to the pandemic. It was an event with live recording that gave the opportunity to watch either in person or online.



Roundtable with Sônia Regina Pérez Evangelista Dantas (SOBEST® President), Silvia Angélica Jorge (Vice-President) & Vera Lucia Conceição de Gouveia Santos (Director of the SOBEST® International Relations Department and the association founders)

It took place on 17<sup>th</sup>–18<sup>th</sup> June 2022 in the city of São Paulo, Brazil, with the central theme: SOBEST® 30 years: Care, science and (ac) knowledgement.

The event was attended by over 850 people and kicked off the celebrations of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of SOBEST® foundation, with clinical discussions, conferences, talk shows with Brazilian artists, moments of socialization, updates on technologies and innovations in the exhibition area and a party with lots of music and dancing.



Pelvic rehabilitation in urinary and anal incontinence roundtable: Professor Talita dos Santos Rosa, Manuela Mendonça Figueiredo Coelho & Gisela Assis



Roundtable on the Brazilian consensus on ostomies in adults: Ana Paula Batista (President of the Ostomized Movement Brazil – MOBR), Prof. Juliano Teixeira Moraes, Prof. Maria Angela Boccara de Paula & Prof. Monica Costa Ricarte



Clinical podiatry roundtable with Rosangela Oliveira, Lina Monetta & Mariana Bandeira



Realistic simulation in stomatherapy education roundtable: Juliany Lino Gomes Silva, Angélica Olivetto de Almeida & Mariana Meszaros

During the celebration of SOBEST®'s 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, several tributes were made, especially to the pioneer of stomatherapy in Brazil, she deserves respect and acknowledgement, Professor Dr Vera Lucia Conceição de Gouveia Santos, one of the founders of the Brazilian Association of Stomatherapy (SOBEST®) and the International Relations Board of the Association.

On this occasion, we also paid homage to one of the founders, Professor Isabel Umbelina Cesaretti, who passed away in 2019. Prof. Isabel, in conjuction with





Professors Sônia RPE Dantas (SOBEST® President) & Vera Lucia Conceição de Gouveia Santos (SOBEST® founder)

Prof. Vera Lucia Conceição de Gouveia Santos and Maria Angela Boccara de Paula, left a legacy of books, valuable articles and work in favor of brazilian Stomatherapy.

The city of São Paulo is a major technological center in Brazil and the event, although regional, attracted people from all over the country with in-person or online participation. The largest delegation was from the specialization course in stomatherapy at the State University of Piauí, which is 1,732 kilometers away from São Paulo, with the participation of 31 students from the stomatherapy course: access the CPE at https://sobest.com.br/cpe2022/



Teachers Vera Lucia CG Santos & Isabel Umbelina Cesaretti at the launch of a stomatherapy book



Sandra Marina Gonçalves Bezerra, SOBEST® WCET® ID along with some members of the Piauí delegation

At CPE 2022, 100 works were presented and awards were given for the best oral and poster presentations in the areas of ostomies, wounds, continence and professional development. Certificates for stomatherapy courses accredited by SOBEST® and accredited by WCET® and certificates for stomatherapists certified by SOBEST® (TiSOBEST) were also delivered.



Best work awards



Delivery of certificates for courses accredited according to WCET® criteria

SOBEST® HUB is a platform that will host the main activities of the São Paulo Congress of Stomatherapy in person and online so that delegates can review as often as they like. In addition to the events recorded at the CPE, unpublished live content will be added during the months of July, August and October. This platform is another SOBEST® innovation to take stomatherapy to all corners of the country.





The SOBEST® HUB platform



#### Norma N. Gill Day®

Celebrating the birthday of the first enterostomal therapist (ET) in the world, Norma N. Gill, the empowerment program for skin tears was launched at Conceição Hospital, in Porto Alegre. Enterostomal Therapist Ti SOBEST, Silvana Prazeres, a member of the NNGF committee, talked about the importance of Norma N. Gill for ET nursing in Brazil and in the world. She also addressed the theme skin tears, reporting that 2021 and 2022 are the years chosen by ISTAP and EWMA to raise awareness of this type of injury.

The NGO Movimentos Ostomizados BR (MORB) registered an important tribute to Norma Gill on its social networks; its publication recalled the story of Norma Gill and stomatherapy. We can see this tribute at <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/CfRSzhjB6ub/">https://www.instagram.com/p/CfRSzhjB6ub/</a>

#### Brazilian Journal of Enterostomal Therapy - Revista



Training program for friction injuries, presentation by stomatherapist TiSOBEST Silvana Prazeres



Homage from Ostomized Movements BR (MOBR) to Norma N. Gill Day®

#### **SOBEST®educational program: Open Doors**

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Courses offered by the SOBEST® Open Doors educational program



SOBEST® Open Doors schedule



#### **ESTIMA®**

This is the only journal specialized in stomatherapy nursing in Latin America, classified as Qualis B2 by the Commission for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES). In it you will find a scope that includes the three broad areas of the specialty – ostomies, wounds and incontinence, with articles related to the professional development of the ostomy nurse.

In ESTIMA Magazine's social networks, you will have access to yet another innovation, your posts from now on will bring a QR code that will facilitate access to published scientific articles, in addition to posting in two languages, Portuguese and English.

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#### SOBEST® activities, events and training





Articles published in the ESTIMA magazine

SOBEST® has 15 sections distributed in Brazilian states, in which the director is elected by direct vote, is composed of the President (TiSOBEST), secretary and two members of the scientific committee. The sections meet monthly online with the participation of the Director of SOBEST® and are encouraged to hold events to publicize stomatherapy and improve specialized care. From April to June, actions were carried out in Rio de Janeiro, Rio Grande do Sul, Distrito Federal and São Paulo. Discover our events at https://sobest.com.br/tipo-evento/reuniao-cientifica/

SOBEST® activities









SOBEST® support a number of student initiatives that aim to complement the academic training of undergraduate nursing in the area of stomatherapy, through activities that meet the university triad of extension, research and education. At SOBEST®, the LAETs are directly linked to the Department of Education, under the coordination of Prof Dr Juliano Moraes, and carry out various activities aimed at guiding nursing students within the demands and needs of people with wounds, ostomies and incontinence. Email: educacao@sobest.com.br

#### VI Brazilian Symposium on Stomatherapy: North-



SOBEST® academic stomatherapy leagues

#### Northeast

SOBEST® together with the Bahia Section will hold the VI North-Northeast Stomatherapy Symposium. Participation is an opportunity to get to know the scientific quality and the beautiful city of Salvador in Bahia and ends with the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Foundation of SOBEST® in the beautiful historic city of Salvador Bahia, Brazil!

#### Access link:

https://sobest.com.br/vi-simposio-brasileiro-estomaterapia-norte-nordeste/

On 21st May 2022, the National Class of the Cross-



VI Brazilian Symposium on Stomatherapy: North-Northeast

# The 6<sup>th</sup> Chongqing International Gastrointestinal Surgery Forum National Continuing Class of Wound, Ostomy, Continence, Cross-Strait Medical and Health Exchange Association & 5<sup>th</sup> Chongqing Wound, Ostomy, Continence Nursing Summit Forum

Strait Medical and Health Exchange Association on Continence, Wound and Ostomy, and the 5th Chongging Advanced Forum on Continence, Wound Ostomy, were successfully held. This event was organized by the Gastrointestinal Surgery Department of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, and jointly sponsored by Chongqing Anti-Cancer Association, Chongging Anti-Cancer Association Gastric Cancer Special Committee, Chongqing Hospital Association Surgical Management Special Committee and Chongqing Gastrointestinal Surgery Alliance. This meeting was an online and offline joint meeting. The meeting invited well-known wound, ostomy and continence experts from both sides of the Taiwan Strait to attend. More than 3000 people participated in the conference online and offline.

This meeting was presided over by Professor Zhanghua, Head Nurse of the Gastrointestinal Surgery Department of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University. Director Zhao Qinghua, who was fighting against epidemic diseases in Shanghai, sent an opening congratulation video. "Drinking the same river and staying in Shanghai together". Although Director Zhao Qinghua is in the forefront of anti-epidemic in Shanghai, she still cares about the development of wound, ostomy and continence in our city and affirms the specialty of wound, ostomy and continence nursing.



Director of the department of nursing Zhao Qinghua's video speech



Conference Chairman Zhang Hua delivers a speech



Committee of Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing, of the Chinese Nursing Society, opened the first topic of the meeting, Decision making on the treatment of early complications of the stoma and surrounding skin. Xu Honglian explained the treatment methods of early common complications in simple terms, demonstrated with a large number of practical cases.

Weng Yajuan, from the Nursing Department of Nanjing Gulou Hospital and the Chairman of the Education Committee of the WCET®, presented the Development and history of enterostomal education. According to Weng Yajuan, at present, there are only a few specialized nurses working as stoma therapists in the area of wound, ostomy and continence in China, too few to meet the needs of patients in China; additionally there are not many hospitals in China with internationally recognised enterostomal therapy schools. President Weng Yajuan also explained, in detail, the basic criteria and the application process for a school to be recognised as an international enterostomal therapy school and placed great hope on the development of stoma nursing in China.

President Yangqiumei, Master of Medical Management of Taiwan Changgeng Hospital, shared New progress in the treatment of international incontinence dermatitis through the cloud. While bringing new enlightenment, she expressed her yearning for the mainland of the motherland. She hoped that after the epidemic ended, she could visit charming Chongqing and warmly invited the people of the whole country online and offline to visit Taiwan.



Xu Honglian from the First Affiliated Hospital of Naval Military Medical University delivered a speech

Ms Yexinmei, Director of the Nursing Department, Chief Nurse and international stoma therapist of the Sixth Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat Sen University, brought us the nursing of patients with ileostomy after the ileostomy was accepted through the cloud. Yexinmei mentioned the concept of pelvic floor muscle function rehabilitation, using case studies, which provided a wonderful guide for both online and offline nursing colleagues. Ding Fu, Director of the First Affiliated

Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, launched a lecture on Building scientific research thinking based on clinical problems through the film The Imitation Game starring Benedict Cumberbatch, pointing out the starting point of the scientific research project and the direction for the nursing scientific research industry.

Professor Qiaolina of the First Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University shared the Host optimization management strategy for infected wounds. Through a detailed explanation of the concepts related to wound infection, the identification and diagnosis of wound infection, and the treatment of infected wounds, she provided guidance and suggestions on the treatment of clinically infected wounds, which was very beneficial.

Professor Tao Lan from the third people's Hospital of Chengdu shared The current situation and thinking of specialized nurses in Chengdu online. It gave us a new understanding of the development of specialized nurses in China, defined the current situation, highlighted some common problems in the development of specialized nurses, while providing ideas for the future development of specialized nurses in China.

Professor Chen Bing, from Leshan People's Hospital, shared the achievements of Leshan People's Hospital's specialized nurses, Introducing the management, practice and achievements of specialized nurses, focusing on the construction of systems, teams and discipline, while showing an example for the construction of specialized nurse teams at home.

Professor Xiang Junlian, from Deyang People's Hospital, spoke on how Innovation helps the development of the nursing discipline, combining theory with practice while summarizing the concepts of innovation in simple terms, and sharing the experience of patent transformation, which brought inspiration to the innovation of the nursing specialty.

Professor Zhanghua, the head nurse from the Department of Gastroenterology of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, and also the Chairman of the Advanced Forum on Wound, Ostomy and Continence, presented the application of team psychological intervention and narrative nursing, in the psychological adjustment of patients with stoma; through the use of narrative nursing, medical staff can better understand the needs of patients, so as to take personalized and effective intervention measures to ensure patients recover faster.

Professor Xinli from the Second Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, presented Treatment strategies for difficult stress injuries, explaining the concept and renewal process of stress injury from a macro perspective, interpreted and combed different



treatment methods from a meso perspective, and finally shared the experience of clinical treatment of stress injury from a micro perspective based on specific cases. This presentation provided our online and offline nursing colleagues with the opportunity for professional growth.

Ms Huang Yin, an international stoma therapist from Jinshan Branch of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, spoke on The treatment after exposure of the infusion port; this was demonstrated by actual cases to show the treatment process of exposure of the infusion port, which provided a reference for similar clinical cases.

Wanglianlian, nurse in charge of the Department of Gastrointestinal Surgery of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, as the last speaker of the day, shared on the topic of an Enterostomy patient management system, based on an information management platform and explained the applications background, use, existing achievements and outlook from four aspects, which perfectly explained "people-oriented, health care and care for the whole life cycle of stoma patients".

The conference also invited many domestic experts and professors in the field of wound, ostomy and continence, including Tongli, Deputy Dean of Yubei District Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Professor Hehongmei, Head Nurse of Gastrointestinal Surgery of the Second Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, Zhengkangxia, Head Nurse of Three Gorges Hospital of Chongqing University, Liuxiaoyu, Head Nurse of Cancer Hospital of Chongqing University, Wang Zhi, Head Nurse of General Surgery Department of Southwest Hospital of Army Medical University, Dengxiaolian, Head Nurse of Gastrointestinal Surgery of the Army Characteristic



Weng Yajuan



Chiu-mei Yang of Taiwan Chang Gung Hospital



Qiaolina from the First Affiliated Hospital of Xi 'an Jiaotong University



Ding Fu, Director of the Nursing Department of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University



Ye Xinmei of the Sixth Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University delivered a speech



Director Tong Li, Chairman Zhang Hua & head nurse Ye Mao



Head nurse Xin Li had an online discussion with Professor Tao Lan about the current situation of specialist nurses



Experts presenting offline

Medical Center, Yemao, the Chief Nurse from the Army Characteristic Medical Center, Liuwenwen, Head Nurse of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University, Li Jing, Head Nurse of the Cancer Hospital Affiliated to Chongqing University, and Chenyuxia, Head Nurse of the Gastrointestinal Surgery Department



Professors online and offline

of the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University.

The conference brought together well-known experts in the field of wound, ostomy and continence care on both sides of the Taiwan Strait. The speakers brought the participants the latest technologies and cutting-edge concepts. Although many experts and scholars could not come to the venue in person due to the COVID-19 restrictions, through the combination of online and offline, the participants learned actively and enthusiastically. The conference was successfully concluded with the closing remarks of President Zhang Hua.

#### Twinning and the Indonesian ETNEP – 17 years down the track







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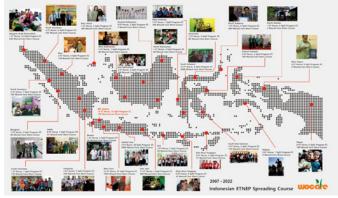
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#### Introduction

The landscape of Indonesia is greatly varied. Java and Bali are the most fertile islands. Rice fields are concentrated in these two regions. Sumatra, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Maluku and Papua are still largely covered with tropical rainforest and open savannah. Grassland characterizes Nusa Tenggara. Indonesia's geographic location and topography make the country prone to natural disasters, especially seismic upheaval due to its location on the 'ring of fire', an arc of volcanoes and fault lines encircling the Pacific Basin.

The country has approximately 273 million people and the population is still growing (4<sup>th</sup> largest population in the world), with more than 300 ethnic groups. The

300 ethnic groups that exist harmoniously have given birth to a potpourri of cultures and fascinating people.



Map of Indonesia: location of ETNs & wound care clinicians

The major ethnic groups are: Minangkabaunese, Malay, Javanese, Sundanese, Maduranese and Ambones. Arab, Chinese and Indian immigrants have also settled in regions throughout the country, particularly in the coastal cities. Indonesia has a multi-racial and multireligious culture and religious mix with 88% Muslim, 8% Christian, 2% Hindu, 1% Buddhist and 1% other.

#### Wound, stoma and continence care in Indonesia

The process of setting up wound and stoma care services started in 1993 (29 years ago) in the Indonesian capital Jakarta. There was collaboration between surgeons, enterostomal therapy nurses (ETNs), wound care clinicians and patients to promote quality of life and mutual help among patients and healthcare providers. This led to a commitment to actively improve the quality of life for the patients with stomas and wounds. All patients, regardless of race, creed or circumstance, should be helped to achieve their full potential to return back to their normal lives and activities of daily living as soon as possible.

In 2005 Widasari Sri Gitarja led a group of overseas trained Indonesian ETNs to meet with Carmen George and Julie McCaughan from the WCET® and the Australian Association of Stomal Therapy Nurses (AASTN) to discuss 'twinning' with Australia and the need for the provision of ET nursing in Indonesia. In the early days several ETNs from Australia including Heather Hill, Carol Stott and Sue McKay travelled to Indonesia to help with teaching and provide preceptorship in clinical placement. This education program, the Indonesian ETNEP (InETNEP) was, and continues to be, recognized by the WCET®.

Since that time there have been 276 full ETNs trained in Indonesia. The structure of the Indonesian Enterostomal Therapy Nurse Education Program (ETNEP) is 8 weeks comprising of 4 weeks theory and 4 weeks practicum. Around 20,000 wound care clinicians have also been trained by Wocare. They complete a short program of 37 hours or 4 days and become a certified wound care clinician associate. Wocare also run a short 37-hour or 4-day certified stoma care program, and an advanced 2-week program, the certified wound care clinician (CWCC); 528 RNs have completed this program. The Indonesian Ministry of Health certifies all of these programs at a national level. Not all of the programs are run at the Wocare centre, some programs are 'outreach' so clinicians go to many remote areas in Indonesia to teach e.g. West Papua.

Wocare is situated in Bogor about 2 hours' drive from Jakarta. It is administered as a foundation and has been set up by Widasari Sri Gitarja in order to provide education and train ETNs and wound care clinicians.

As you can see, the numbers have grown in the last 15 years and there are now ETNs and wound care clinicians throughout all of Indonesia. The Wocare Indonesian ETNEP has had recognition from WCET® since 2007. Wocare also run outpatient clinics looking after stoma, wound and continence patients. Patients pay according to their means and there are many patients treated as 'charity patients'.

Nowadays, the practice of wound ostomy and continence nursing in Indonesia has demonstrated significant improvement as indicated by increased numbers of ETNs and wound care clinicians. Con-sequently, the quality of care for patients with wound ostomy and continence has improved. Incontinence is taught to students as part of the ETN education program. It is very evident that there is a problem with incontinence in Indonesia, but it is not recognized by the Ministry of health. Referrals to Wocare come from nursing homes and urologists, so that students do get practical experience in managing incontinence. There is also collaboration with physiotherapists and students are taught how to teach patients such things as pelvic floor exercises.

The training of ETNs and wound care clinicians in Indonesia has not only improved the care for patients but has also encouraged personal and professional growth among the registered nurses completing these programs, empowering them to seek further educational qualifications and skills and increase their employment opportunities. Experienced ETNs and nurse educators use a variety of field placements which reflect the wide focus of enterostomal therapy nursing and facilitate optimal educational opportunities. Clinical precentorship is seen as necessary to provide support and encouragement for program participants.

#### Other project initiatives

Diabetic Foot Ulcer Management Project such as Stop

Amputation – Prevention First

Globally, the prevalence of diabetes mellitus has continued to grow. There is considerable morbidity and mortality associated with the diabetic foot (DFU). Almost 90% of wounds treated in clinical nursing private DFU Stop Amputation practice in Indonesia are diabetic foot ulcers (DFU).



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In order to improve the care of patients with diabetic foot, and to give guidelines for evidence-based multidisciplinary management, the Indonesian Wound Care Clinician Association (InWCCA-Wocare) developed



a protocol in 2008 which is continuously reviewed and updated according to best practice. The specific areas focus on DFU management including (1) prevention of diabetic foot ulceration, (2) wound care protocol management, (3) off-loading, and (4) adjunctive treatments.

Prevention of DFU focuses on teaching, counselling and preventative education in self-care behaviours, including good foot care with daily inspection of the feet in order to reduce the recurrence of foot ulceration. This includes bathing and nail care using home remedies e.g. coconut soap and sea salt. Simple clinical techniques are taught and used to identify sensory neuropathy and loss of protective sensation. Counselling is part of a comprehensive care program in the management of DFU with education about diabetic sensory neuropathy, neuropathy creates an environment in which repetitive trauma causing injury and infection are unrecognized by the patient. Good quality shoes are encouraged for high-risk diabetic patients, including those with significant neuropathy, foot deformities, or previous amputation. Off -loading techniques and shoes are used as required for patients. More than 20,000 certified wound clinicians have already been trained by Wocare center; it is hoped that they will use these future guidelines as a standard of care.

# Disaster Management Project – 7 Steps DISASTER WOUND MANAGEMENT

Wocare got involved with wound disaster management in Indonesia in 2016 when an earthquake struck the island of Sumatra with the epicentre only 164 kms from Banda Aceh the capital. 104 people died with approximately 1000 people injured. The Indonesian Wound Care Clinician association (InWCCA) successfully collaborated with the government and almost a hundred wound clinicians helped to treat the wounds. The National Disaster Mitigation Agency (BNPB) and the Regional Disaster Management Agency (BPBD) coordinated the response. More than 11,378 houses, including shops, office buildings, schools, mosques and hospitals, were damaged. A total of 85,161 people were affected. The risk of injury during and after disasters is high. Prompt first aid can help heal small wounds and large wounds can be managed by dressings in order to help prevent infection and such things as tetanus.

The "7 steps of disaster wound management" model has been developed based on evidence-based practice by the Indonesian wound care nursing clinician association. These steps each contain a basic instruction and recommended actions for each of the seven steps and will help wound clinicians use critical thinking in managing disaster situations.

#### **Support groups**

In the 21st century, collaboration between health care professionals and patient/clients is very important. Support groups for ostomy patients provide a service that many patients find beneficial. Primarily they are formed by ostomates to exchange ideas and share experiences. Important functions of the ostomy group are, visitor training so that suitable people who have 'the lived experience' can give hope to new or would be patients by sharing with them their personal positive experiences, and how they have overcome certain problems along the way to live a near normal life.

Advocacy is an important area as it helps to create awareness amongst society in general about the issues that are faced by ostomates. The ostomy groups, along



The seven stages of disaster wound management



Ostomy services (stoma care education, students and Co-Director Program of Indonesian ETNEP)

with healthcare professionals, create an advocacy program and through that they promote as well as protect the rights of the ostomates within society. Patient groups can also advocate for better health services and often have more success than health professionals in this area.

#### Conclusion

ET and wound care nursing in Indonesia comes with its own unique challenges. Widasari Sri Gitarja and her team at Wocare have battled many challenges during the past 17 years in order to establish education in the nursing specialties of stoma, wound care and continence. They have used the guidelines provided by WCET® and adapted them to the Indonesian situation in order to better serve the Indonesian patients. They have trained a huge number of wound care clinicians who are needed to look after the enormous number of wounds people have, largely due to diabetes, at an affordable cost. ET nursing education also continues to be an important part of the education offered by Wocare and the team there. Widasari Sri Gitarja and her team continually promote education for Indonesian nurses and the patient remains at the forefront of their care.



Widasari Sri Gitarja & the team at Wocare



The Indonesian team at the WCET® Congress



Carmen George of WCET® and Widasari Sri Gitarja with the Wocare team



Carmen George of WCET® with ETNEP students



Carmen George of WCET® with Eddy Mulyadi, InWCCA President

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- Andrew Browning AM, FRCOG FRANZCOG (Hon) who has spent his entire professional career volunteering in Africa as a medical missionary specialising in obstetric fistula surgery.
- Keryln Carville RN, PhD, STN(Cred), FWA, Professor of Primary Health Care and Community Nursing at Silver Chain Group and Curtin University, Western Australia.
- Gojiro Nakagami Professor, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo, specialising in infection control.

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Ayişe Karadağ RN, ET/WOCN, PhD, Prof. Koç University School of Nursing Dean



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More information at: www.epuap2022.org

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8<sup>th</sup> August – 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2022



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