



**National Wound Care  
Strategy Programme**



**The National Wound Care Strategy Programme (NWCSP) aims to ensure that every patient across the UK receives excellent wound care. Commissioned by NHS England, the programme develops recommendations to support the prevention and care of pressure ulcers, leg and foot ulcers and surgical wound complications. We are pleased to share the programme's final newsletter.**

## **FUTURE OF THE NWCSP**

The National Wound Care Strategy Programme (NWCSP) has completed its 5-year programme of work for NHS England. We are getting in touch to update you on the final stages of the programme.

**On behalf of the programme, we would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the programme. You have made this programme what it is today and we couldn't have done this without you.**

The NWCSP website will no longer exist after June 2025. As such, we would recommend that you download copies of any resources useful to you as soon as possible before this time and please bear in mind that the website and resources are no longer being updated. Health and care professionals will be able to sign up to the new [Improving Wound Care: Building on the NWCSP FutureNHS workspace](#), to access key NWCSP resources going forward. This workspace is due to go live shortly and is our way of ensuring the collective programme outputs have a home come March 2025.

Please expect reduced activity on our social media platforms and in our email communications - any new updates relevant to the programme will of course be disseminated through our channels.

Best wishes,

**The National Wound Care Strategy Programme  
Team**

## **PATIENT LEAFLETS**

The NWCSP has five new patient leaflets available to share with patients:

Working together, the NWCSP and Patient Experience Network (PEN) have developed a series of patient resources. These resources have been created for patients by patients through patient-led co-creation activities. PEN facilitated this work to put patients, carers and family members at the centre of shaping and improving wound care. The new leaflets cover a range of topics:

- Loved one in care (pressure sores)
- How to prevent a pressure sore
- I have a leg ulcer - why am I being referred to a vascular clinic?
- What is a surgical wound?
- Is my surgical wound healing normally?

View these leaflets by visiting [the NWCSP website](#).

## **NEW MODULE: DIAGNOSING AND MANAGING WOUND INFECTION**

Working with Workforce Training Education (formerly Health Education England), the NWCSP has created a new online wound care module, [Diagnosing and Managing Wound Infection](#), which is now available through the E-learning for Healthcare (Elfh) learning hub. This module aims to provide Tier 2 learners with a thorough understanding of diagnosing and managing wound infection. Two further modules, Assessment and Management of Surgical Wounds and Diagnosing and Managing Surgical Wound Complications are due to be added to complete the suite before the end of March 2025.

These interactive, peer-reviewed modules have been developed to suit different learning styles and are designed to support health and care professionals in caring for people with wounds. [Enrol for free today](#) to enhance your wound care knowledge.



## LINDSAY LEG CLUB: PATIENT COMMUNICATION STORIES

The Lindsay Leg Club would like to invite health and care professionals to share their favourite healthcare communication stories and analogies for a new publication.

Health and care professionals have the opportunity to tell their stories about the way clinicians deliver their messages to individuals, students, patients and clients, not just about wound care but healthcare in general. These stories and analogies will be compiled in a new book for the Lindsay Leg Club and the authors will be recognised for their literary creation. Sharing your personal experiences both support the charity via fundraising and illustrate the impact of effective communication. An analogy template is available [here](#).

Please email your stories to Lindsay Leg Club before **the 31st of March deadline** by emailing: [lynn.bullock@legclubfoundation.com](mailto:lynn.bullock@legclubfoundation.com)

## WOUND CARE EDUCATION FOR GENERAL PRACTICE AND COMMUNITY NURSING

We are delighted to have been part of a working group led by NHS England to develop the Wound Care Educational Resources which support the General Practice Nursing (GPN) Core Career and Capabilities Framework.

The wound care education resource is one of six frameworks developed to support the professional development of general practice and community nursing teams. It has been carefully aligned with published frameworks for general practice, primary care and wider community nursing teams and the National Wound Care Workforce Framework.

This resource identifies the suggested scope of practice for different health professionals and some of the key resources and education programmes available to professionals who care for people with or at risk of wounds. It is designed to be practical and accessible, to enable busy nursing teams to integrate into their daily practice.

The wound care educational resource and other resources supporting the framework are available on [the Skills for Health website](#).



For further information about the National Wound Care Strategy Programme, visit: [www.nationalwoundcarestrategy.net](http://www.nationalwoundcarestrategy.net)

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