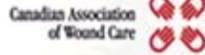




# Third Congress of the World Union of Wound Healing Societies

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## E-newsletter

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### Conference Update

#### Important Dates

World Union Toronto 2008 launches its [abstract submission](#) process and delivers its [Preliminary Program](#).

#### Society Update

World Union Toronto 2008 is pleased to welcome the Canadian Association for Enterostomal Therapist ([CAET](#)); Canadian Association of Wound Care ([CAWC](#)); American Professional Wound Care Association ([APWCA](#)); National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel ([NPUAP](#)) and the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario ([RNAO](#)) as our HOSTING associations in conjunction with The University of Toronto ([U of T](#)).

#### Corporate Sponsorship Update

World Union Toronto 2008 welcomes seven corporate sponsors who have signed on to be Platinum Sponsors: [3M Healthcare](#); [Coloplast](#); [ConvaTec](#); [Healthpoint](#); [KCI](#); [Molnlycke](#) and [Smith & Nephew](#). Without their support this important initiative would not take place at a level that aims to be the most significant wound care event ever!

#### The Worlds Largest Trade Show

The 2008 WU will host the largest wound care trade show of the decade. Companies interested in exhibiting should contact David Stein at [davidstein@rogers.com](mailto:davidstein@rogers.com) for complete exhibit and sponsorship information and space application.

#### One Problem - One Voice!

Many of us are aware of the importance of an evidence based approach in our everyday practice. Regional approaches, across the globe, have lead the way in the development of Evidence Based Medicine in the area of wound care. The World Union has embraced this challenge to both globalize and further refine this concept for the benefit of us all, but more importantly involving the many significant talents and experiences around the world.

Initially we will launch a web-based content management system to allow common feedback and assessment of the wealth of information available. This will be a limited access site and qualification is required to participate - for more information please email our office or visit [www.worldunion2008.com](http://www.worldunion2008.com). Over the next 18 months we will be launching a public access resource detailing the findings of this activity and presenting materials supporting Evidence Informed Practice - watch this space!

### Breaking News

The World Union Toronto 2008 meeting is almost upon us. In preparation of this significant event much of the organization is well advanced. The next few months will finalize the preparation, further establish our support both from Societies and Industry.

Our society support grows with every day. Our initial recruitment focus was to develop relationships with our Hosting Societies to ensure their involvement in the development of both the program and also our faculty. Now we are recruiting supporting associations. Interested? - visit our website and record your interest.

An important part of this meeting is the support of Industry. Yet again, following on from Paris, they have stepped up and to date we have over \$3 million in support. While this is significant it takes much more to stage an major global event and much work is before us to drive further sponsorship.

### HOT NEWS ITEMS

**World Union Toronto 2008 is pleased to announce the formation of its Scientific Advisory Board which will drive the development of the scientific program and faculty with input from participating societies over the next few months. This advisory board brings together clinical and industrial experts providing a broad spectrum of significant International knowledge.**

**The members of this scientific advisory board are: Gary Sibbald; Keith Harding; Heather Orsted; Elizabeth Ayello; and Douglas Queen. Other members will be added on a need basis.**

