



## **AWMA FELLOW SUITABILITY CRITERIA**

### ***Background***

The AWMA Fellow is a prestigious award of the Australian Wound Management Association (AWMA) established to recognise significant service to the Association or those who have made a significant contribution to wound management in Australia or internationally.

Fellow status is a distinction conferred by the Association on full members in recognition of outstanding contributions to the advancement of the science and practice of wound management. Among the considerations for this distinction are academic, professional, clinical, legislative or other meritorious accomplishments.

Candidacy and suitability for fellowship will be exemplified by fulfilment of at least two of the following categories:

### **1. Outstanding contribution to AWMA Committee activities**

This may include:

- long service to the Committee (e.g. six (6) or more years)
- leadership of AWMA subcommittees (at least one subcommittee)
- a lead role in organising an AWMA biennial national conference or AWMA-affiliated International conference/s
- leadership in two (2) or more other AWMA Committee activities
- holding several different offices within the Association
- has officially represented AWMA or significantly contributed to other related associations on a national or international level.



## **2. Educational leadership**

This may include:

- being awarded a Chair in wound management at an international, national or state position.
- a significant editorial contribution to Wound Practice and Research through membership of the Editorial Board (not less than four (4) years)
- author or editor of wound management or related book and or book chapter
- establishment of and/or contribution to high-profile wound management training courses where the curriculum is longer than 40 hours
- production of a corpus of wound management educational material, such as books and course materials
- teaching and training activities including invitations to act as a key-note speaker within Australia and/or internationally

## **3. Research leadership**

This may include:

- being awarded a Chair in wound research, internationally, nationally or state/territory
- primary author of a minimum of four (4) significant research articles in wound management, published in peer-reviewed journals
- Co- author of a minimum of eight (8) significant research articles in wound management published in peer-reviewed journals
- establishment/development of a lead wound research centre
- being a member of the Clinical Research Advisory Committee of the Australian Wound Management Research Foundation for longer than five (5) years
- has obtained a higher degree of Masters, doctorate or post doctorate in wound related research.



#### **4. Clinical leadership**

This may include:

- being regarded as a leading clinician in wound management in Australia and/or internationally
- contribution to the development of nationally or internationally accepted wound management standards, consensus documents, clinical guidelines or pathways.
- contribution and exemplary work in translating or extending wound management from research into practical application, dissemination or implementation
- establishment of innovative wound management services
- Superior sustained effort that contributed significantly to the mission of advancement of wound management.

Each of these lists is not to be seen as exhaustive, with other examples of outstanding activity also possibly satisfying the category.