



Australian Wound Management Association Inc

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To all Australian Health Service Providers and Practitioners:

The Australian Wound Management Association (AWMA) is proud to announce the release of its inaugural Position Document:

Bacterial Impact on Wound Healing: From Contamination to Infection

This consensus document has been developed and endorsed by AWMA for application in Australia by service providers and practitioners. It is based on contemporary evidence, including other international guidelines and publications.

The position document provides an overview of the prevention, diagnosis, classification and management of wound infection, particularly in wounds healing by secondary intention.

The Position Document is applicable to individual practitioners, service providers and health authorities. The included recommendations should be used as a basis to guide practice and develop policies and protocols.

Wound infection is a significant issue. Wound infection results in impaired healing, increased hospitalisation, increased health care costs, loss of productivity, pain, inconvenience and, sometimes morbidity or even mortality. This position document provides a best practice framework for consistency in the prevention, diagnosis, classification and management of wound infection in Australia.

Please use and disseminate this document within your professional networks and workplaces.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Michael Woodward".

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