

## AWMA GUIDELINES TO DEVELOPMENT OF COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT

### Module Six: Management of Oncology Related and Palliative wounds

1.0	Professional Practice	Standard 1, 2 & 3
1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Practices in accordance with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA)</li> <li>▪ Complies with legislation, standards, codes and regulations governing each specialty practice</li> </ul>	
1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides a comprehensive assessment of the individual, their underlying pathology, the wound and the healing environment</li> <li>▪ Undertakes appropriate risk assessment, early intervention and appropriate interprofessional referral as required</li> </ul>	
1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Identifies unsafe practice and has the ability to respond appropriately</li> </ul>	
2.0	Intellectual Knowledge and Understanding	Standard 1,2,3,4, 6 & 7
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Has a comprehensive understanding of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The anatomy and physiology of the offending tumour/disease</li> <li>• The aetiology of cancer related wounds</li> <li>• Management strategies for palliative and oncology wounds</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Is able to perform a comprehensive assessment of the individual, wound and surrounding skin</li> <li>▪ Is able to initiate and interpret the different diagnostic investigations related to wound management</li> <li>▪ Is able to define clearly treatment aims</li> <li>▪ Has the ability to identify other risk factors associated with the disease</li> <li>▪ Can identify evidence based practice best practice related to management choices in prevention and management of oncology and palliative care wounds</li> <li>▪ Implements evidence based wound management practices</li> </ul>	
2.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Assists individuals to make decisions related to the impact of their management interventions</li> </ul>	
2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Communicates strategies appropriate to the individual, their carer &amp; interprofessional team members</li> </ul>	
2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Identifies the psychosocial impact of oncology and palliative care wounds</li> </ul>	

<b>3.0</b>	<b>Management of Oncology and Palliative Wounds</b>	<b>Standard 2,3,5 &amp; 7</b>
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Locates and utilises best available research.</li> </ul>	
3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Utilises available wound documentation systems and equipment within individual organisations</li> </ul>	
3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Implements a management plan including goals of care and expected management outcomes</li> </ul>	
3.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Initiates systems for the evaluation and provision of palliative care services</li> </ul>	
3.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Monitors and evaluates treatment outcomes</li> </ul>	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Collaborative Practice &amp; Interprofessional Care</b>	<b>Standard 1, 2, 3 &amp; 8</b>
4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Promotes effective communication between interprofessional team, individuals &amp; carers</li> </ul>	
4.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recognises limitations and scope of practice and seeks further interprofessional advice as required when caring for individuals with palliative and oncology wounds and seeks advice</li> </ul>	
4.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Liaises with relevant community and health care agencies in order to maintain continuity of care</li> </ul>	

Based on:

1. Australian Wound Management Association, Standards For Wound Management, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. West Leederville WA, Cambridge Publishing, 2010.  
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