

Monday, August 5, 2024 at 12:49:01 Eastern Daylight Time

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**Subject:** WOCN Invitation to Revise ISTAP Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Skin Tears in Aged Skin  
**Date:** Thursday, August 1, 2024 at 12:54:35 PM Eastern Daylight Time  
**From:** Nicolette Zuecca  
**To:** Kevin Emmons, Kevin Emmons  
**Attachments:** ISTAP Prevention and Management of Skin Tears.pdf

Dear Kevin,

Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nurses Society™ (WOCN®) has been invited to collaborate with the International Skin Tear Advisory Panel (ISTAP) and Nurses Specialized in Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Canada (NSWOCC) on the revision of the *International Skin Tear Advisory Panel (ISTAP) Best Practice Recommendations for the Prevention and Management of Skin Tears in Aged Skin*, which was published in 2018 (see attached document). ISTAP would like to update this document to include a North American perspective for publication in *Wounds International* with a collaboration piece in the *Journal of Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nursing™ (JWOCN®)*

Each of these organizations will have four representatives and I am pleased to extend an invitation to you to serve as a WOCN delegate. ISTAP is the leading organization and will be responsible for the management and facilitation of this initiative.

**Key Details:**

- **Start Date:** The official start will most likely begin on or around September 1
- **Completion Date:** March 2025
- **Commitments:** Participate in scheduled Zoom meetings, respond to emails, and participate in a two-day face-to-face consensus meeting in Montreal (date to be determined)
- **Travel:** All related expenses will be covered according to ISTAP's travel policy

This is a prestigious opportunity to collaborate with international experts and stakeholders and your involvement will be instrumental in shaping global standards and improving skin tear care practices worldwide. If interested in this opportunity, please confirm your acceptance by **August 9th**. If you have any questions or require further information, do not hesitate to reach out. We look forward to your positive response and appreciate your consideration of this important role.

Warm regards,

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