

2011 LIMPOPO WOUND CARE SEMINAR POLOKWANE PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL

THEME: COMPLICATED WOUNDS

The WHASA EXCO Members attending were Sr Eva Lekwakwe who presented management of pressure ulcers; Mr Thabo Mokhobo who presented wound preparation (TIMES Model) incorporating the WHASA product classification and the holistic assessment of a patient with a wound and dr Gregory Weir (President of WHASA) presented the physiology, assessment and

management of venous insufficiencies.

One of the private nurse practitioners in Polokwane presented a venous ulcer case study. Management of venous ulcers was discussed, and was really an eye opener to the most of the health care workers who attended the seminar.

More complicated wounds case studies on pressure ulcers and lower leg ulcers were presented to the delegates. Delegates were given the task to apply the wound bed

preparation model and select the most appropriate wound care products to manage the wounds presented. Later that day Dr Weir presented a fantastic presentation about the "*Top 10 questions about Wounds Answered*" to 16 medical doctors at Polokwane Medi-Clinic. We really thank Dr Weir's dedication in WHASA, *you rock Sir!*

The trade members (Wound Care Companies) where given the opportunity to present their products to the









delegates, in order to let the delegates to choose appropriate wound care products for wounds that were presented in the case studies. In that way, the delegates applied the knowledge they gained in wound bed preparation TIMES model and product classification/selection. Feedback and discussion was conducted, and patients in the case studies were managed comprehensively.







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It was a pleasure to find that there was a multi-professional interim WHASA committee that was in place at Polokwane provincial hospital. That really indicated that health care professionals needed an improvement and change in the wound care speciality. More delegates from private hospitals/clinics, trade and peripheral towns were elected to be in the committee to represent those areas. Dr Weir (WHASA president) congratulated and thanked the new and existing committee members.



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