



The Executive Committee

The following Executive officers shall be elected annually by the members at the AGM:

- **President**
- **Vice-President**
- **Secretary**
- **Membership Secretary**
- **Treasurer**
- **Seminar Convener**
- **Newsletter Editor**
- **WA Representative to the AWMA.**

A copy of the constitution is available on request from the Secretary.

Membership

a person who wishes to become a member of the WAWCA must apply on the Association Form and pay the annual subscription fee.

a) **FULL MEMBERSHIP**

Full membership of the WAWCA shall be limited to health care professionals resident in Western Australia. Employees of commercial companies shall not be eligible under this section.

b) **ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP**

Associate membership shall include all health care professionals who do not reside in Western Australia. Employees of commercial companies shall not be eligible under this section. No voting right.

c) **COMMERCIAL MEMBERSHIP**

Commercial membership shall include all employees of companies involved in wound care treatment or research. No voting right.

GROUP MEMBERSHIPS are not available.

Return this form to:

WAWCA Inc.

Membership Coordinator - Robyn Simcock

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Floreat WA 6014

History

The West Australian Wound Care Association Inc. (WAWCA) was formed in Perth in 1990 by a group of nurses who recognised the need to promote wound management based on scientifically sound principles.

The Association has been multidisciplinary since its inception. The common interest of the membership is to promote excellence in wound and pressure management with a focus on the rehabilitation of people with wounds.

In 1994 the Australian Wound Management Association (AWMA) was ratified. The WAWCA is represented at the AWMA meetings by the State Representative who is also a member of the State Executive.

Philosophy

The WAWCA believes that all people with wounds are entitled to wound management which is appropriate and supported by current validated research.

The objectives of the Association are to promote excellence in wound care and pressure management by:

- **Networking** – the WAWCA has established an extensive network of persons with expertise in wound management. This network is a valuable resource for person and/or written consultation on wound management practices, products or pharmaceuticals.

The establishment of links with organisations of similar interest and involvement nationally and internationally is considered an essential part of the role of the Association.

- **Research** – the WAWCA promotes and supports clinical and scientific research related to wound healing epidemiology.
- **Education** – the WAWCA places much emphasis on the provision of ongoing education through the quarterly Clinical Update Education Sessions and provision of Study Days throughout the State. These sessions are planned to meet the educational

needs of health professionals from all disciplines. Education provided by the Association focuses on current prevention strategies, wound care products and the rehabilitation of people with wounds. The Association stresses the importance of a holistic approach in meeting the needs of any person with a wound, in order to promote healing. Members also have access to a variety of education resources, available on request.

- **Winifred Felle Education and Research Fund** – this fund was established following the Inaugural Australian conference on Wound Care, held in Western Australia in 1993.

The fund is administered by the Executive and provides funding for research and educational needs in support of WA members.

Publications

The WAWCA's newsletter is published quarterly. Articles on wound and pressure management, such as case reports or research papers, are welcomed from all disciplines. Members also receive the Australian Journal of Wound Management, 'Wound Practice & Research'.

WAWCA Committee contact details available on AWMA website <www.awma.com.au>.
Membership Coordinator email:
rmsimcock@bigpond.com

Subscriptions

The annual subscription fee is payable on the **30th January**. Membership shall cease if:

- a) the member notifies the secretary of his or her resignation in writing;
- b) the member fails to pay the subscription fee **two calendar months after the date payment becomes due** (ie by 1 April each year);

no refund of the subscription or any part of the subscription will be payable under any circumstances.

Membership Application Form

I wish to become a member of the West Australian Wound Care Association Inc.
ABN 35 603 176 909

Membership categories

(delete as appropriate)

FULL ASSOCIATE COMMERCIAL

New – \$55.00 Renewal – \$55.00

Please enclose a cheque/money order or fill in your credit card details below

(do not send cash)

Name: _____

Home address: _____

Postcode: _____ Telephone: _____

Work address: _____

Postcode: _____ Telephone: _____

Email address: _____

Occupation: _____

Newsletter to be sent: Home Work

Credit card details

Card type: MC Visa

Credit card number:

_____/_____/_____/_____

Card holder's name: _____

Signed: _____ Expiry date: __/__/__

For WAWCA use only:

Member No.	Received	Banked	Bank	Cheque	Receipt No.