EPUAP 2017
The 19th Annual Meeting of the European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel

20 – 22 September 2017
Belfast, Northern Ireland

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One Voice for Pressure Ulcer Prevention and Treatment

Challenges and Opportunities for Practice, Research and Education

EPUAP 2017 is organised by the European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel in partnership with the Tissue Viability Nurse Network (Northern Ireland) and the Wound Management Association of Ireland.
About EPUAP

The “European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel” was created in London in December 1996 to lead and support all European countries in the efforts to prevent and treat pressure ulcers.

A very important activity for the EPUAP is our annual conference. These meetings are aimed at bringing together clinical care practitioners, researchers and people from industry, to discuss the current status of the problem in Europe and the world and to discuss new developments in pressure ulcer prevention, treatment and care.

The mission

To provide the relief of persons suffering from or at risk of pressure ulcers through:

- research in prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers
- raising awareness on the importance of prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers
- influencing pressure ulcer policy in all European countries
- working towards an adequate patient centered and cost effective pressure ulcer care

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Main Topics & Awards

- Debate about pressure ulcer terminology and classification
- Basic pressure ulcer research
- Update about the guideline implementation
- Patient involvement in pressure ulcer practice, research, guideline development
- Core outcome measures and measurement instruments for pressure ulcer research
- Pressure ulcer health economic research and guidelines to perform these studies
- Quality improvement projects
- Wound monitoring and documenting
- Crossing the Hospital-Community Interface

EPUAP Investigator Awards

As an authority that leads pressure ulcer research in Europe as well as internationally, the EPUAP will recognize leadership and contributions to pressure ulcer research by awarding two prizes each year at its annual meeting:

- **The EPUAP Early Stage Investigator Award** (awarded to a researcher at an early career stage)
- **The EPUAP Experienced Investigator Award** (awarded for a significant, internationally-recognized contribution to pressure ulcer research)

EPUAP and Stryker: Partners in Prevention

EPUAP and Stryker will award 4 papers on Quality Improvement Project on the Prevention of Skin Breakdown. The presenting authors will receive 500 EUR in the form of a travel grant. More information are available on the conference website.

Journal of Tissue Viability & Journal of Clinical Biomechanics Award

The European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel, the Journal of Tissue Viability and Journal of Clinical Biomechanics are pleased to announce the Journal of Tissue Viability & Journal of Clinical Biomechanics Award 2017 that will be presented for the first time at the annual EPUAP conference. Applicants are invited to submit an abstract reporting their completed research in The Journal of Clinical Biomechanics Awards category. Accepted presenters will be invited by the EPUAP Scientific Committee to give a presentation in a dedicated Award session. The Award winner will also be invited to submit a manuscript reporting the study in Journal of Clinical Biomechanics (for biomechanics research) or the Journal of Tissue Viability (for clinical research). The manuscript will be subject to peer-review and a final decision will be made according to the policy of the Journals. More information can be found on the conference website: [www.epuap2017.org](http://www.epuap2017.org)

EPUAP and 3M IAD and Pressure Ulcer Innovation Awards

EPUAP, in partnership with 3M, will launch the IAD and Pressure Ulcer Innovation Awards in 2017 during the EPUAP Annual Meeting in Belfast, Northern Ireland. The EPUAP Scientific Committee will select 2 of the most innovative papers to be presented during at the 3M Symposium on 21st September 2017. The presenting authors will receive a free registration for the EPUAP 2018 Annual Meeting in Rome, Italy and 500 EUR in the form of a travel grant. More information are available on the conference website.
About the Tissue Viability Nurse Network Northern Ireland (TVNN NI)

The TVNN NI was established in 1998. Membership is voluntary and consists of TVN specialists from all health care sectors including independent providers.

Over all aims:
• To provide a means of communication between members working in isolation.
• To support fellow clinicians in a safe environment.
• To promote innovation and evidence based wound care.
• To disseminate publications related to Tissue Viability and Wound Management.
• To promote and provide expertise in wound care through the provision of multi-professional education to all grades of staff.

About the Wound Management Association of Ireland (WMAI)

The Wound Management Association of Ireland was established in May 1996 by a multidisciplinary group of healthcare professionals interested in raising the profile of wound care within Ireland.

The Wound Management Association is a voluntary non-profitable organization whose main objectives are:
• To promote a multi-professional approach to Wound Management
• To promote the highest standard of Wound Management through education
• To promote research into all aspects of Wound Management
• To disseminate reports and publications relating to the work of the association
### Wednesday, 20 September 2017

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#### Plenary session: Hall 2

- **09:30 - 10:30**
  - Opening Ceremony
    - Welcome by Dr Michael McBride, Chief Medical Officer for Northern Ireland
    - Welcome by Mrs Charlotte McArdle, Chief Nursing Officer for Northern Ireland
    - Opening by the EPUAP President and the EPUAP 2017 Chair

- **10:30 - 12:00**
  - Key session 1: Pressure ulcer terminology and classification
    - Outcome and next steps in the international debate on pressure ulcer terminology and classification; Jan Kottner
    - Device related pressure ulcers; Joyce Black
    - A common language for pressure ulcers: the Outcomes for Pressure Ulcer Trials (OUTPUTs) project; Katrin Balzer
    - Incontinence-Associated Dermatitis: update on terminology; Dimitri Beeckman

- **12:00 - 13:15**
  - Lunch break, exhibition and poster viewing (in the exhibition area)

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<td>Risk factors: the evidence; Jane Nixon</td>
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<td>“To sit or not to sit” sitting individuals with pressure ulcers; Darren Hammond</td>
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<td>Malnutrition as a precursor of pressure ulcers; Mary Litchford</td>
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| 09:00 - 09:45 | Key session 7: Emerging therapies  
  - Prophylactic dressings; Zena Moore  
  - Early detection of pressure ulcers; Cees Oomens  
  - Smart materials; Dan Bader | Key session 8: Seating (2)  
  - Wheeled mobility for pressure ulcer prevention and improved function: results of a RCT; David Brienza  
  - Pressure mapping of functional reach in wheelchair seated individuals – the ugly truth; May Stinson  
  - Pressure ulcer prevention: what do healthcare professionals, patients and carers need to know?; Declan Patton, Alison Porter-Armstrong  
  - Development of the SPUPP: Pressure ulcer prevention programme; Emer Shanley | Industry workshop | TVNN NI session  
  - PuClas4 workshop: diagnosis and management of pressure ulcers and incontinence-associated dermatitis (IAD); Dimitri Beeckman, Denise McDonagh |

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| 10:45 - 11:45 | Key session 9: EPUAP Investigator Awards 2017  
  Introduction to the Awards by the Chair of the Scientific Committee | Free paper session 6 | Free paper session 7 | WMAI session |

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12:45 - 13:15 | Annual General Assembly of the EPUAP |

| 13:15 - 14:30 | EWMA - EPUAP Session: The Joint EPUAP-EWMA PU prevention & patient safety advocacy project  
  - The concept of pressure ulcers as a key patient safety indicator; Lizette Schoorhoven  
  - Pressure ulcer prevention pathways; Zena Moore  
  - Barriers and enablers to pressure ulcer prevention; Andrea Pokorná  
  - Pressure ulcer, 20 years of prevalence monitoring and practical action in a Swiss university hospital, Hubert Vuagant  
  - What does the European data tell us?, Laura Conaty | Workshop 1:  
  Core outcome sets in clinical research; Katrin Balzer, Dimitri Beeckman, Jan Kottner (13:15 - 14:15) | Workshop 2:  
  Seating biomechanics; Dan Bader, Amit Gefen, Yohan Payan (13:15 - 14:15) | Workshop 3:  
  Dressing selection; Steven Smit (13:15 - 14:15) |

| 14:30 - 15:45 | Workshop 4: Repositioning; Jeannie Donnelly, Menno van Etten | Industry satellite symposium (14:15 - 15:45) | Student free paper session 2 (14:15 - 15:15) |

| 15:45 - 16:15 | Coffee break and exhibition viewing |

16:15 - 17:30 | Key session 10: The complex foot  
  - CPR For Feet; Duncan Stang  
  - The research on the heel casts; William Jeffcoate  
  - Topic: complexities of caring for patients with renal disease; John Smyth | Industry workshop (16:15 - 17:15) | Free paper session 8 (16:15 - 17:15) | Hands on workshop 1:  
  Debridement: Why - When - When not?; Carolyn Wyndham-White (16:15 - 17:15) |

<p>| 19:30 | Conference dinner at the Titanic Museum |</p>
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<td>▪ This session will be organised as a discussion forum, a first step to develop pressure ulcer specific guidelines for health economic research; David Meads</td>
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| 10:00 - 10:45 | Coffee break and exhibition viewing                   |

| 10:45 - 12:15 | **Interactive session: Pressure ulceration: Local Wound Management** |

| 12:15 - 12:45 | **EPUAP 2018 Rome, Italy; Guido Ciprandi**  
**Focus Meeting 2018 Turku, Finland; Maarit Ahtiala**  
**Closing of the conference; Jeannie Donnelly, Jane Nixon** |
Belfast is a very compact city that has gone through an impressive transformation in the latest years.

The dynamic spirit that built the Titanic in Belfast more than 100 years ago is reborn today with the opening of Titanic Belfast, an exciting new conference venue on the waterfront that boasts the largest dedicated gala dinner space in the city. Built on the original site where Titanic was built, the new iconic building symbolises ‘a new Belfast’ in the heart of the Titanic Quarter, Europe’s largest waterfront regeneration scheme.

Travel to Belfast

There are 158 European and international destinations servicing Belfast and Dublin (90 minutes from Belfast with excellent transfer access directly from Dublin Airport to Belfast city centre)
**Conference venue:** Waterfront Belfast  
**Conference dates:** 20 – 22 September 2017  
**Conference website:** www.epuap2017.org  
**Early registration deadline:** 15 June 2017  
**Abstract submission deadline:** 10 May 2017  
**Review notification deadline:** 30 May 2017

### Registration fees

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All prices are inclusive of 20% UK VAT  
Onsite fee is valid from 18 September 2017

### Entitlements

**Full conference registration:** Final programme, conference bag, admission to the full conference programme including all special sessions, coffee breaks and lunch, welcome reception on 20 September 2017

**1-day registration:** Final programme, conference bag, admission to all sessions in the conference programme of the day, coffee breaks and lunch for one day.

**Conference language:** English
CME Credits

EPUAP has applied for CME accreditation by the UEMS-EACCME® for this event.

More information and number of credits awarded will be communicated on the conference website www.epuap2017.org

Accommodation

A selection of hotels has been made for the conference participants. You can book a room at one of these hotels through the conference website. Most hotels are located in the city centre, within walking distance from the conference venue, Waterfront Belfast.

Exhibition

There will be a commercial exhibition at the EPUAP 2017 Annual Meeting, where relevant companies will exhibit the latest products and developments in the field.

Social programme

Welcome reception
20 September 2017, 19:00 – 19:30
Belfast City Hall
City Hall Donegall Sq.
Belfast BT1 5GS Northern Ireland

Conference dinner
21 September 2017, 19:30 – 22:30
Titanic Museum
1 Olympic Way, Queens Road, Titanic Quarter
Belfast BT3 9EP, United Kingdom
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