



3M Australia New Zealand Skin Safety Award Guidelines 2018



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Introduction:

3M and Wounds Australia have partnered to recognise and promote health care facilities and their members who have implemented a patient care regimen resulting in improved skin integrity, or the maintenance of patients' skin health as they undergo treatment in a health care facility.

The 3M Skin Safety Award recognises an individual or team for creating and sustaining a successful skin damage prevention project that demonstrates positive clinical outcomes, teamwork, and knowledge transfer. Wounds Australia will award the winning project at its National Conference that will be held in October in Adelaide.

Purpose of the award

The purpose of the Skin Safety Award is to recognise an individual or team for creating and sustaining a successful skin damage prevention project. The project should demonstrate positive clinical outcomes, teamwork, and knowledge transfer.

The Skin Safety Award will recognise a skin damage prevention project across a broad scope, and may include:

- Pressure injury prevention,
- Incontinence-Associated Dermatitis (IAD) prevention,
- Skin tear prevention, and/or
- Adhesive trauma prevention.

The project may be delivered in any health, aging or disability service including:

- Hospital inpatients
- Outpatients
- Residential care
- Community health service
- Primary health care
- Home visiting service or
- Respite care.

The Award:

This award will recognise an individual or clinical team for creating and sustaining a project designed to prevent skin damage. The winning project will be broad in scope and address not only pressure injury prevention, but other types of skin injury such as: Incontinence-Associated Dermatitis (IAD) prevention, skin tear prevention, and/or adhesive trauma prevention.

This award was developed by 3M in cooperation with Wounds Australia. The award is funded by an unrestricted educational grant from 3M to Wounds Australia. The grant will provide financial support for an individual or a maximum of 4 members in a skin care team.

The winner of the Award will receive an educational grant of \$4,000 to be used to support their professional development.

The winner will be announced at the 2018 Wound Australia National Conference.

Eligibility Requirements:

The Skin Safety Award will target health care professionals who are championing skin injury prevention in their service. The Award will be open to entries from both individuals and teams.

To be eligible an entrant must:

- Be a registered health care professional in Australia or New Zealand. For team entries, at least one team member must be a registered health care professional.
- Be a member of Wounds Australia or the NZ Wound Care Society. For team entries, at least one team member must be a member of Wounds Australia or the NZ Wound Care Society.
- Be over 21 years of age
- Be currently employed by the employer for which the award project was created and implemented.
- Have approval from their employer to enter the project for the Award.

Employees, officers, directors (and their respective immediate family (spouse, children, parents and siblings) or household members (whether or not related) to Wounds Australia and 3M are not eligible to apply. Members of the assessment panel (and their respective immediate family (spouse, children, parents and siblings) or household members (whether or not related) will not be eligible to apply.

How to Apply

All applicants should submit applications online through the link provided on the Wounds Australia website www.woundsaustralia.com.au. Applications should be submitted between 16 July and 14 September 2018.

Incomplete applications that do not fully comply with all requirements set forth herein and in the Terms and Conditions of the document will be ineligible. Applicants will be notified if the application is ineligible.

Assessment of Award Applications

Wounds Australia in consultation with 3M will appoint the assessment panel, comprising 3 members from Wounds Australia and NZ Wound Care Society with experience in assessing scholarships and with relevant wound management expertise.

All eligible applications received during the applications opening period will be assessed by a qualified panel of reviewers, determined by Wounds Australia and 3M. All eligible applications will be assessed based on the assessment criteria as described below.

The assessment panel will select one winning application.

The application with the highest overall score will be the award winner. In the event of a tie, all tied application will be re-assessed by an additional assessor that will be selected by Wounds Australia,

who using the assessment criteria, will break the tie. The assessors' decisions on all matters pertaining to this award are final.

Award Ceremony

If the applicant has an approval from their employer and accepts the award, Wounds Australia will make arrangements for the applicant to receive the award at the awards ceremony. The cost incurred to attend the conference is not included in the award. The award winner will need to meet the cost of attendance. If the winner is unable to attend the award ceremony, pre-recorded acceptance video can be presented at the award ceremony.

Wounds Australia will provide 3M with the details of the winner so that 3M can organise promotional activities. These promotional activities may include the production of a short video detailing the winning application.

Winners will be notified by e-mail and will be required to accept the award in writing within ten days from the date that the winner is announced or the award may be forfeited and an alternate winner will be selected.

The decision of the assessment is the final decision and there is no appeal process.

Please click here to apply:

If you have any questions, please contact us on 1800 870 855 or admin@woundsaustralia.com.au

Assessment Criteria

Applications will be assessed to determine if the project has created and sustained a successful skin damage prevention. The assessment will be undertaken based on the following criteria.

- The project has organisational support.
- The project involves and engaged, multidisciplinary skin team that includes representation from multiple disciplines, departments and/or care settings.
- The project has clear accessible written prevention protocols.
- The project has specific targets and outcome metrics.
- Product formulary/imprest is comprehensive, staff accessible and user friendly with a process for ongoing review.
- The project delivers creative and effective staff education.
- The project delivers creative and effective patient education.
- The project shows sustained results for at least one year post implementation.

The examples of the documentation listed below can be used as a guide and no need to submit the documentation for each example listed against each project criteria.

Project Criteria	Possible examples of the documentation to support this criteria
<p>1. The project has organisational support, for an example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project leader has designated accountability and allocated time for project implementation and maintenance. • The organisation has invested in staff/FTEs to support prevention efforts • The organisation has invested in equipment that supports prevention of skin damage • Clinical leader has qualifications and clinical background in the prevention and management of skin and wound conditions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of senior management role and involvement • Description of new equipment and its impact • Other (include your own examples)
<p>2. Project involves an engaged, multidisciplinary skin team that includes representation from multiple disciplines, departments, and or care settings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of team members and their role • Team charter, meeting frequency and format etc. • Other (include your own examples)
<p>3. The project has clear accessible written prevention protocols.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies and procedures-e.g. risk assessment, procedure for skin inspection • Applicants should ensure they comply with copyright requirements of manufacture’s protocols. • Other (include your own examples)
<p>4. Project has specific targets and outcome metrics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurable goals are clearly articulated • Staff audits showing compliance with designated project components, • Prevalence and Incidence (P&I) / Skin Damage Survey Process and Goals • Description of process for ongoing data collection of incidents/events and methods for insuring accuracy • Other (include your own examples)

<p>5. Product formulary/imprest is comprehensive, staff accessible, and user- friendly with a process for ongoing review.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include your Formulary/Imprest list <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Formulary/Imprest must be described generically by product category - If your formulary/Imprest list includes both skin and wound care products, you can submit it as is. There is no need to create a separate list of skin care products for this application. • Other (include your own examples)
<p>6. Project delivers creative and effective staff education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results of education evaluation • Examples of educational tools used to educate staff about the project • Other (include your own examples)
<p>7. Project delivers creative and effective patient education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examples of educational tools (i.e. videos, brochures) that demonstrate excellence in content and creativity • Other (include your own examples)
<p>8. Project shows sustained results for at least one year post implementation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data (e.g. graphs, charts, etc.) illustrates a decrease in nosocomial skin injury and maintenance of improvements • Results of P&I/ Skin Damage surveys (i.e. incidence studies/surveys for pressure ulcers, IAD, skin tears, etc) • Other (include your own examples)