

## AWMA GUIDELINES TO DEVELOPMENT OF COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT TOOLS

### Module One: Introduction to wound management

1.0	Professional Practice	Standard 1, 2 & 3
1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Practices in accordance with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) or other appropriate regulatory body</li> <li>▪ Complies with legislation, standards, codes and regulations governing each specialty practice</li> </ul>	
1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides a comprehensive assessment of the individual, the wound and the healing environment</li> <li>▪ Undertakes appropriate risk assessment, early intervention and appropriate interprofessional referral as required</li> </ul>	
1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Identifies unsafe practice and has the ability to respond appropriately</li> </ul>	
2.0	Intellectual Knowledge and Understanding	Standard 1,2,3,4, 6 & 7
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Has a comprehensive understanding of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The anatomy and physiology of the skin and associated structures</li> <li>• The physiology of wound healing and tissue repair</li> <li>• Factors impairing wound healing and ways to minimise same</li> <li>• Signs and symptoms of the wound infection continuum</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Is able to perform a comprehensive assessment of the wound and surrounding skin</li> <li>▪ Is able to differentiate between different skin types and discuss issues related to skin type</li> <li>▪ Is able to initiate and interpret the different diagnostic investigations related to wound management</li> <li>▪ Identify and implements evidence based wound management practices</li> </ul>	
2.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Assists individuals to make decisions related to the impact of their management interventions</li> </ul>	
2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Communicates strategies appropriate to the individual, their carer and interprofessional team members</li> </ul>	
2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Identifies the psychosocial impact of both acute and chronic wounds</li> </ul>	

<b>3.0</b>	<b>Wound Management</b>	<b>Standard 2,3,4, 5 &amp; 7</b>
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Can apply the principles of Evidence Based Practice (EBP), wound cleansing and Wound Bed Preparation (WBP)</li> </ul>	
3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Utilizes available wound documentation systems and equipment within individual organizations</li> </ul>	
3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Implements a management plan including goals of care and expected management outcomes</li> </ul>	
3.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Implements strategies for individual follow-up/prevention of recurrence</li> </ul>	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Collaborative Practice and Interprofessional Care</b>	<b>Standard 1, 2, 3 &amp; 8</b>
4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Promotes effective communication between interprofessional team, individuals &amp; carers</li> </ul>	
4.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recognises limitations and scope of practice and seeks further interprofessional advice as required</li> </ul>	
4.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Liaises with relevant community and health care agencies in order to maintain continuity of care</li> </ul>	

#### Reference:

1. Australian Wound Management Association, Standards for Wound Management, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, West Leederville WA, Cambridge Publishing, 2010. Available from <http://www.awma.com.au/publication> .