

# Monash University 2014 Venous Leg Ulcer Seminar

## Friday 15th August

### About the seminar:

Venous leg ulcers (VLU) are a common problem that have a considerable impact on an individual's health, quality of life and health care costs. Wound care providers, researchers, industry partners and policy makers are collaborating to decrease the (future) burden of VLU. Come and hear about the innovative initiatives, current and future, to help you and your organisation improve the quality of care for people with VLU.

### Who should attend:

All those interested in improving the quality of care for people with VLU.

**Venue:** The Alfred Medical Research and Education Precinct (AMREP) lecture theatre, 75 Commercial Rd, The Alfred, Melbourne Vic 3004.

This is located at the closest intersection of Commercial and Punt Roads.

**Seminar date:** Friday 15th August, 2014

**Seminar time:** 9:00am - 3:30pm  
(Registration opens at 8:30am)

### Cost:

\$395pp (incl. of GST) - Medical Health professionals

\$300pp (incl. of GST) - Nursing Allied Health

\$270pp (incl. of GST) - Registration for 2 or more delegates\*

\$200pp (incl. of GST) - Full time student rate (proof of student status required)

\*Delegates MUST register at the same time to receive discount (this cannot be processed retrospectively)

Catering provided.

### Payment and registration:

<http://ecommerce.med.monash.edu.au/product.asp?pID=484&cID=8>

Registration is finalised once you receive a registration confirmation email from the administrator.

Further venue details, accommodation and parking information can be found on our website at:

<http://www.med.monash.edu.au/sphpm/creps/seminars.html>

Enquiries to Catherine Pound on +61 3 9903 0891 or [crepatientsafety@monash.edu](mailto:crepatientsafety@monash.edu)

### Speaker and Facilitator details

(in order of appearance)

**Professor John McNeil** is Head of the Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, and Head of the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at the Alfred Hospital site. He is a Physician whose principal research interest is in the use of drugs to prevent chronic disease. Professor McNeil's department covers a broad range of research activities and hosts a number of national research centres. These include Australian coordinating centres for research in critical care and anaesthesia, several major clinical registries, cohort studies and large-scale clinical trials. His department provides a skill base in epidemiology, biostatistics and data management that underpins the clinical and public health research activities of Monash University and its major teaching hospitals.

**Dr Rut F Öien** is a GP, clinician, researcher and the manager of Blekinge Wound Healing Centre, a specialist unit for wound management, which is a model for specialised primary care units in Sweden. She has initiated and developed the Swedish national quality registry on hard-to-heal ulcers, the Registry of Ulcer Treatment (RUT), of which she is the registry manager. In RUT patients with leg, foot and pressure ulcers are registered and followed to ulcer healing.



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**Dr Sue Evans** is Associate Director of the Centre of Research Excellence in Patient Safety (CRE-PS) and Head of the Clinical Registry Unit at Monash University. Sue has a keen interest in improving measurement of quality in health and manages a number of large clinical registries. Sue leads a number of research projects exploring how best to use data to monitor quality of care.

**Ms Charne Miller** is a Research Fellow with the La Trobe University / Alfred Health Clinical School. For over a decade Charne has led and been a co-investigator on a variety of clinical trials and evaluation studies in the field of wound management. Charne is Treasurer of the Australian Wound Management Association (Victoria), Chair of the state Scientific Committee for 2015, and Associate Editor of the national journal Wound Practice & Research.

**Dr Denise O'Connor** is a Senior Research Fellow and NHMRC Public Health Fellow at the Australasian Cochrane Centre, School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Monash University, and Co-Director of the NHMRC-funded Australian Satellite of the Cochrane Effective Care and Organisation of Care (EPOC) Group, Monash University. Denise's research is in health services, focusing on the design, delivery and uptake of health professional behaviour change interventions to translate knowledge from research into clinical practice. Her expertise is in assessing the causes of research translation problems and designing theory- and evidence-informed interventions to support professional practice change.

**Ms Marianne Cullen** is the Clinical Nurse Consultant in Wound Care for the Gippsland region. Her role is part of a Department of Health Regional Wound Management project which aims to provide training, education and access to clinical support for Home and Community Care clients in District Nursing Services and Public Sector Residential Aged Care Facilities across the Gippsland Region. Prior to this she was the Manager for Wound Management and Stomal Therapy Services at Latrobe Regional Hospital for 10 years.

**Dr Carolina Weller** is a Senior Research Fellow at Monash University School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine and the recipient of the NHMRC Australian Public Health Fellowship. Carolina is one of Australia's leading clinical venous leg ulcer researchers who has conceived, designed and successfully implemented a number of clinical trials in venous leg ulcer research.

**Dr Ashwini Arumugaswamy** is a Thrombosis and Haemostasis research fellow at Monash Health, Melbourne. She completed undergraduate medical training at the University of Melbourne, and advance training in Clinical and Laboratory Haematology at Austin Health and Monash Health.

**Ms Judith Barker** is a Nurse Practitioner in Wound Management for ACT Health Rehabilitation, Aged and Community Care. Judith leads the Wound Management Service in the ACT community which provides consultancy and advice on the management of patients with acute and chronic wounds. She has improved access to wound management by setting up Nurse Practitioner wound clinics across the ACT. Judith also provides clinical consultancy and education for patients in their home and aged care facilities.

**Dr Donna Nair** has worked in chronic wound management for over 10 years across community, acute, general practice and residential areas. For the last five and a half years she has worked as Regional Wound CNC in the Grampians Region as one of eight Regional Wounds Victoria consultants. Donna is committed to improving chronic wound outcomes for rural Victorians through collaborative initiatives that cater to the needs of a region, as opposed to that of one location.



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Time	Speaker and Organisation	Area covered
0830	<b>REGISTRATION</b> (arrival tea/coffee)	
<b>Session 1</b>		
0900 - 0915	Prof John McNeil, Monash University	Welcome and introduction
0915 - 1015	Dr Rut Öien, Blekinge Wound Healing Centre, Sweden	The Swedish experience of the leg ulcer registry
1015 - 1035	Dr Sue Evans, Monash University	Clinical quality registries
1035- 1055	Panel discussion and questions	
1055 - 1120	<b>MORNING TEA</b> (25 minutes)	
<b>Session 2</b>		
1120 - 1140	Ms Charne Miller, La Trobe University	The informal carers perspective on VLU's
1140 - 1200	Dr Denise O'Connor, Monash University	Translating research findings and evidence based guidelines into clinical practice
1200 - 1220	Ms Marianne Cullen, Department of Health	Wound care outcomes: proving you make a difference
1220 - 1240	Dr Carolina Weller, Monash University	TBC
1240 - 1300	Panel discussion and questions	
1300 - 1400	<b>LUNCH</b> (60 minutes)	
<b>Session 3</b>		
1400 - 1420	Dr Ashwini Arumugaswamy, Monash Health	Post-thrombotic syndrome prevention and management
1420 - 1440	Ms Judith Barker, ACT Health Rehabilitation, Aged and Community Care	Implementing guidelines into practice: how do we know we are making a difference
1440 - 1500	Dr Donna Nair, Department of Health	Are we all wound up in wound care? What's your view?
1500 - 1530	Panel discussion and questions	
1530	<b>CLOSE</b>	