

Overall Conference Evaluations

Questions with ratings 1 - 5 (5 being the highest)		
Question 1	The educational content, program descriptions and objectives were consistent with marketing materials.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.82
Question 2	The conference brochure and registration form were made easy to follow.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.82
Question 3	The length of the program was appropriate.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.78
Question 4	My registration was handled efficiently.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.88
Question 5	My on-site registration (name badge and material pick-up) was handled efficiently.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.87
Question 6	I had ample opportunity to network with my peers.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.74
Question 7	I would recommend this conference to my peers.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.80
Question 8	The exhibits were applicable to my work setting.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.80
Question 9	There was adequate time allocated for viewing exhibits.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.71
Question 10	The program was relevant to my practice/profession, and my knowledge and skills were updated.	
# Responses	164	Avg Score 4.75

Question 21	There was adequate time for viewing the posters.		
# Responses	164	Avg Score	4.62
Question 22	The posters provided relevant information that impacts my practice/profession		
# Responses	164	Avg Score	4.55
Question 23	(former SilentAuction quest not being used this year)		
# Responses	164	Avg Score	0.00

Questions with choice answers

Question 11	How did you hear about the SER WOCN Conference?		
Email	43		
Employer	12		
Friend	30		
RegBrochure	53		
Other	26		

Question 13	I would like to see more Non-CE symposia.		
Yes	28	No	135

Question 14	Who is assuming responsibility for the REGISTRATION FEES of this conference?		
Employer / Bus	81		
Grant-Scholar	5		
Self	61		
Shared	2		
Other	14		

Question 15	Who is assuming responsibility for the TRAVEL costs of this conference?		
Employer / Bus	60		
Grant-Scholar	5		
Self	82		
Shared	5		
Other	11		

Question 16	Will you be attending the 2017 Conference to be held in Knoxville, TN?		
Yes	73	No	16
		not Sure	74

Question 17	If no, what is the biggest obstacle keeping you from attending?	
Employer	<input type="text"/>	6
Expenses	<input type="text"/>	28
Not Every Year	<input type="text"/>	9
Work Coverage	<input type="text"/>	30
Other	<input type="text"/>	11
NoSelection	<input type="text"/>	78

Question 18	Which clinical practice setting would you like to see more sessions on? (Please choose one)	
Acute Care	<input type="text"/>	53
Home Health	<input type="text"/>	20
Long Term	<input type="text"/>	12
Outpatient	<input type="text"/>	21
Ok As Is	<input type="text"/>	57

Questions With Text Answers

Question 12	What aspect of the exhibit hall program would you like to see changed?
	more new material, not review of older material.
	none
	Separate bed vendors from each other if possible. Have water stations available.
	nothing
	none,it was awesome
	none
	nothing
	It was my first conference, and I am not a difficult person, everything was great to me.
	None
	shorter time,
	go to about 7 pm thurs/fri and get out early afternoon about 1 pm. The organizers did a great job.
	none
	None
	to much time in the vendor exhibit would rather have more conference time
	none, great job
	cannot think of any changes needed

I don't recommend serving popcorn prior to a lecture.It was a bit noisy for the last lecture on

none

none

Too many exhibitors were cramped in a small space making navigation between vendors challenging.

Vendors were appropriate but given the available space in the exhibit hall it was congested

Temp

none, it's perfect!

nothing, , I enjoyed it.

I like having the posters in the exhibit hall.

Don't think there needed to be 5 hours of the exhibit hall given the number and size of the conf.

Setup was great.

none

none

No changes required from this years conference.

Poster viewing through Sat

Some of us have problems with ambulating distance and need a place to sit and rest for a minute.

I thought it was well organized and arranged. I do not feel it needed any changes.

none

Better explanation about the ticket contest on the last exhibit hall session.It was confusing.

the exhibitors left too early on Friday.

Nothing

none

I would like to see the space larger and more viewing time and interaction with presenters

Competitors were across from each other. (Example ARJO and the other bed company.)

none

on day 2 longer exhibit time with lunch and munch while in exhibit hall

more coffee offered

allow longer sessions with the vendors

nothing to add

It was a little over stimulating.

nothing

Longer session with the vendors to see new products

Putting the silent auction items inside same space would mean we wouldn't have to divide.

some exhibitors felt like needed more time with attendees

Nothing. It was very nice and the food was really good too.

None

Have the programs at the end of the days instead of 1 in the middle of the day

I think 3 exhibit times were a little much. Would limit to 2

The drawing was fun, but I felt pressured to get those 20 signed so didn't take my time

I only attended the Saturday session and did not have a change to attend the exhibit hall

Nothing, this year was great in allowing time to visit the exhibitor booths. I learned a lot.

I thought it was well organized and the vendor directory really helped.

It was so cold in the session rooms that my colleagues and I were taking trips outside to warm up.

none

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No change, job well done

Good with current format

I do not wish to make any changes.

nothing

Simplify the food. Offer only nonalcoholic drinks

NONE

The presentations should be shorter length to keep the audiences attention.

I would like the exhibitors to have sessions with more hands on participation.

I think it went great!

business meeting earlier in conference schedule

location of appetizers

maybe a little more time with vendors

Security. Joanna Burgess had things stolen. Hotel security were not helpful.

I like meeting the reps and seeing the exhibits. There is always plenty of time to hit all booths

the layout worked well. No suggestions for change

more on reimbursement

Too many raffles

none. The exhibitors were excellent!

none

Was only there Saturday and exhibit hall closed Thursday night. It would have been nice to see

Nothing

None
none
none
None
I think the exhibit hall was very well laid out. Easy to see displays. No changes needed.
More tables for sitting drinks and food.
I thought it was great!
it was grest
None
none
have meals in the exhibit hall sponsored by the vendors so there can be extra time for booth visits
Enjoyed the exhibit hall
no complaints-- all went well. very organized
It was very difficult to visit 20 booths in 2 hours and glean needed information.
Combine posters and exhibits in the same room.
none
Ice and cups available. More options with drinks, diet coke. more snacks
I don't like the contests. If you are going to do it, do less than 20.
No changes needed
none
was not able to attend
Cannot think of anything. Everything was exceptional!
none
Can we have digital versions of the posters at the hall
none
None. All good
someone check the hall before it all gets torn down for remaining things
Some chairs/seating areas should be available throughout the exhibit area.
Very crowded and hot!
I liked the set up this year. I liked the silent auction in a different space.
none
None
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Question 19

What new topics would you like to see presented in the future?

reimbursement issues; Wound products

home care challenges,

Evolving technologies (US for recognition of pressure injuries, ACell), working w/ supply chain

non traditional treatment modalities for wound care. CAUTI prevention. Atypical leg ulcers/treat

sepsis and PIn risks, prevention

Support surfaces

Small bowel transplantation; The Unique Role of the BSN WOCN as a Expert Clinician

I would like to see more topics on pouching multiple abdominal fistulas

continence management in long term care

nutrition requirements for wound healing, lab values that impact wound healing

continence, certified foot and nail.

integrating holistic nursing into WOCN; holistic nursing care principles and WOC care

I like the mix that we had this year & in the past.

none

More Wound Care Topics; The Future of Healthcare

Have a class on some of the new dressing materials and a discussion on how they actually work

dermatology basics

Continence care-not skin issues

More on complex fistula management; Burn management

Burn care in the outpatient/home health setting; Calciphylaxis treatment in the dialysis patient

hands on debridement clinic

what other practices may be using, whats new/ technology

Comparing old practice modalities to new ones.

Managing MASD in long-term care, fistula management, managing and preventing skin tears in elderly

More information on Professional Practice, Legislative happenings, Coding, Legal & Ethical concerns

Management of bowel incontinence. Nightmares on WOCN street daily.

Medicare / payment issues

this year the sessions seemed to be off the beaten path. YAY! Not your typical stuff!

fistula

not sure

Whatever is pertinent to our profession.

Creating presentations, educating staff (enjoyed the art and science of influence); tips and tricks

no suggestions at this time

setting up and maintaining an outpatient ostomy clinic Pediatrics

Dermatology, pharmacology

Updates on national policy affecting WOCN. Alternative therapies (MIST, maggot, etc.).

more on continence

How to market the CWOCN to employers

Topics were nicely varied. Should have another session with persons with ostomies next time.

not sure

Always like atypical wounds, maybe more related to cancers.

Changes in pressure ulcer descriptions . Legal aspects of documentation

How to do a poster; How to submit a manuscript; How to combine WOC with legal nursing

More information on the new pressure injury staging and moisture associated skin damage.

I wish someone would explain each cells role in wound healing, even the small details.

more about wounds

VA obstacles, Ostomy brands overview-important for new WOCN need for more ostomy support groups-

current trends in practice

More clinical by peers, less from MD's

nothing

I am a telenurse a focus in this area would be helpful.

necrotizing fasciitis

Chrohn's disease, surgical site infection prevention, complication management following surgery

PP- building a WOCN consult service in today's acute care setting and the legal issues

always need ostomy hours so this conference being ostomy heavy was really good

pharmacology

Required teaching content for acute care - ostomy; Dermatology for the non-derm; Skin cancer

Dressing selection & staff buy-in to do dressing changes (instead of assuming we are treatment nurs

more information on continence issues and concern

Fistula management with Negative Pressure

information on reimbursement for various sites; include more info for home health

fistula management; Creating pressure injury teams/champions

Diabetic foot ulcers

Pharmacology for APN

How to play an effective role in public policy at the local/state level (ex. competitive bidding).

cms wound classifications

Assessing people of color skin. The norm vs abnormal

Treatment and management of atypical wounds

More information on foot care.

none

Any evidenced based practice items would be great. Maybe a little more on urinary incontinence

Helping the unstageable wound progress to stageable.

Venous leg ulcers and wrapping.

Nutrition in wound care.

lymphedema

Complex NPWT with Fistula managment

Diabetic foot care trends

Always would like more wound care topics b/c I work in outpt wound care but I always enjoy ostomy

courses for CE for CFCN, Diabetic foot etc.

none at moment

MARSI and medical device related skin injury

continent diversions

Nursing and the law...

Really liked how many ostomy credits there were.

I care for amputee patients,they likely had foot wounds before amputation-similar to Ostomy

DTI and reportable Hospital acquired conditions

I think the educational steering group keep their eyes on the trends and address them.

DTI

1.Pressure Injury in OR-proning/positioning patients, 2)How to develop a successful PUP

More about psychosocial aspects of ostomy care

Nail/foot care

Light Therapy and wound healing. Ways to promote a healthy lifestyle in unhealthy patients we serve

advanced wound care, new products

infectious diseases, pharmacology related to wounds

limb salvage

It would be helpful to have a session where we could learn more about how to educate staff.

pediatric woundcare

Bariatric care needs; Working with other disciplinary groups; Urinary diversions ;

more on atypical wounds

Managed care for the WOCN as this is the direction of healthcare in the future.

Small bowel transplant. Continence products and strategies to maintain skin health.

Care of the post op ileostomy patient in the home

Getting new CWOCN nurses--preservation of profession

cost containment of supplies in wound care. treatment of oab stress incontinence wound clinics

Some urinary incontinence topics

How to empower nursing to embrace prevention, ideas for Skin-Wound committees etc

everything great

pyoderma gangrenosum

More case studies and troubleshooting techniques for pouching difficult stomas and fistula.

more continence

Pediatric focused class - topic what pts should learn before discharge (goals)

Pharmacology presentation as this is required for APRN recertification.

more advanced sessions - for more experienced WOC nurses; skin substitutes and collagen products;

Negative pressure wound therapy

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Question 20 What new topics would you like to see presented in the future at PRE-CONFERENCE?

Abi procedure

complex wound management with NPWT

mock deposition

I routinely do not attend preconference

emerging therapies

none

I prefer to let you decide as WOCN that are experienced

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wound debris enemy, compression wraps

something with foot and nail and wounds

Inovations in wound care & ostomy.

pre conference was really good, the favorite of the conference

None

More on technology

use of the algorithms

leg ulcers

Increased availability. I wasn't able to attend due to it had reached its maximum number of people.

Inspiring staff nurses to participate in prevention and treatment of wounds.

Continence management in acute and longterm care

Any of these

dermatological issues

Compression

gotta keep doing fistula!

pouching techniques---NuHope

not sure

More ostomy - I would return again to hear Karen, or anyone with "neat tricks" in ostomy care

tips and tricks for patient care, wounds/ostomies, troubleshooting; new research topics

no suggestions at this time

Something geared to WOC nurses as educators.

Not interested in attending pre-conference

I'd like to see the fistula lady come back. She has been very popular.

More on continence

An advanced practice session with pharmacology credit

Debridement

None. Did not attend.

I enjoy the review of Ostomy and wounds for recertification

How to do research.

I think the planning committee does a great job getting everyone input during the year for conferen

Presenting posters, research to get study, Tips and tricks. How much time?

new technology

loved this

lower extremity amputation prevention program; contact casting clinic

Enjoyed the pannel

drsg choices

PGP recertification tips on obtaining CEU's and navigating the process.

review for certification - How to do PGP

Compression therapy demo including donning aids

none

Nightmares ??

none

more information on continence issues and concern

Fistula management with negative pressure

How to do clinically significant ABI with waveforms/interpretation of waveforms; or interpretation of sounds as mono/bi/multiphasic.

Advance practice wound care

NPWT-- clean vs. sterile procedure.

None

Algorithms on how to identify and treat atypical wounds.

none

NONE

did not attend preconference.

Maybe more in-house surgical cases with other issues and how to pouch and apply NPWT with ECF.

Nutrition in wound care.

Hands on complicated fistula/stoma management

total contact casting

I liked the lecture then time for hands on practice.

WOCN certification

PGP Process

not sure at this point

none

Compare panel of Amputees who had wound healing issues and prosthesis issues compared with Ostomate

Any new technology

cancerous lesions and tx

perhaps a session on pearls of coordination of care for undocumented and/or uninsured patients?

Nail/foot care

Difficult pouching, new options to use. Debridement

advanced wound care

loved the fistula management

repeat of pouching

New techniques and ideas for staff education, How to teach staging creatively-any creative ideas for

hernia support belts; colostomy irrigation technique

Dealing with bowel and bladder continence in daily life.

Hernia belt fitting

Best Practices in treatment of chronic wounds

was not able to attend

Wound treatment associate

VAC instill and how to implement it into the current VAC therapy that we use.

compression therapy for venous disease

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Question 24 The conference could be improved by:

focusing on changing trends new material.

Conference and sessions were great. Hotel and location were fine, but the food was subpar. I know it is difficult to feed that many people but the servers were very loud and the food was bland.

water stations in exhibit hall; you don't need a separate room for silent auction - put it in the back of the exhibit hall

increase ce offerings at symposiums

don't go so long on last day

place the posters and the exhibit hall in one room (like in Orlando). Have coffee available throughout the day.

Pediatric session/pre-conference

more of Dorothy Doughty!!

more contact hours

It should have lasted one more day with more variety, all certifications should have an opportunity to obtain ceus

good job

More variety in the meals. I do know the companies select the ones they pay for, but variety would help. I was glad to see the wrap at the last meal.

to much time with the vendors. Raffles made me feel like I could not have enough time speaking with them, felt rush getting tickets. Would of like more time in the learning sessions

More Convenient locations

overall ... very good job

not having as much poster/exhibitor time in the mornings. Needed to have lecturers fill that time

Scheduling ... too many short breaks not allowing sufficient time in between sessions. Also NO time on Saturday to check out! Breakfast symposium at 7 - no break until lunch and check out was at 11.

North Carolina group should consider Asheville as a setting. The group was small enough for a small conference center. And be able to walk outside and see something green rather than in a big city.

was a very good conference

none...like the Thursday - Saturday schedule.

Overall I think the conference went well. This was my first regional conference and I was able to meet and network with other WOCNs. I wished we had more traffic in the silent auction

perhaps looking at the timing of the morning pre-conference sessions and final sessions

More vendor time

Nothing. It's great as always

This was actually one of the best SER WOCN conferences. You guys/gals always do so good! I dont have any suggestions. And, the ease of registration and on site check in are phenomenal!

not sure.

N/A. I attend each year. This was one of the all-time best for me. Thanks! We TN folks have much work to follow that for next year. Yeay N.C. WOCN's.

making attendees aware of where to go the first day. at least post on website the place to pick up packets and schedule. before that, had to ask hotel staff. have signs up night before?

no suggestions at this time

Decreasing the amount of time spent at conference.

It was in a good central location, reasonably priced, very well organized!

more seating in the exhibits. Have all conference venues stay close together.

It was good as is.

none

It was a very good conference. Liked the posters being on the computer. It allowed me more time to truly review them.

The rooms were too cold. Would be nice to substitute soup for the chicken or salads every day.

keepdoing whatyou are doing. Reach one, teach one to spread tge word about how wonderful it is to be a WOCN.

None

it was great.. too much free time.. more CEU

Overall it was a great conference

several presentations were minimal review--need presenters that stretch the growth of WOC's need more advanced presentations

Food was lacking

excellent as is

The rooms were too cold. Coffee should have been provided in the conference room. The business meeting would have been better held at the beginning or end of the day.

Ending earlier on Saturday.

nothing

I felt each presenter was rushed during their presentations. Maybe adjusting some time to longer or shorter depending on topics. Providing suggestions on what we could do for free time on Friday.

personally shorter day

It was one of the best conferences I have ever attended and I have no input for improving it.

grouping the speakers together with the optional parts like poster session and exhibits at the end of the day to make it easier to drive in and accommodate leaving for child care, etc

Three of the symposia I attended could have easily been credited with CE. The evening symposia lasted too long, one hour was enough. Dinner not worth 2 hours of my time with great lecture and no CE

Would love to see a "think tank" set up with several different rooms each with a different topic that participants could network and brainstorm with each other about... mattresses, CAUTI, etc.

Offering content at various learning levels (novice to advanced with breakouts for each ostomy content. Offering Pharmacy credits

Seems like the best info was given the last day...maybe spread it out a bit.

it was a great conference

Offering a panel of the poster presenters.

I don't know of anything major, it was a great setting and location, team did a great job.

First 2 days were too cold in the main meeting room.

It was a great conference. The food was not that good, but the conference was great!!

turning the thermostat up a bit.

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The conference was great. Kudos to the North Carolina WOC nurses! Thank you. I love the fact that the poster exhibits can be viewed online.

Starting the breakfast symposiums later.

At least a 10 minute break between each speaker.

Is there any way to reduce the amount of echo during the lectures?

I loved this conference. Excellent job!!!

Shorter presentations to keep the audiences attention.

Everything was great. Why are we always so far removed in the conference rooms?

Keep doing what you're doing

We arrived late for the lunch symposium due to traffic. The host would not seat us stating 'the food is gone and there are no seats' she admitted to allowing non registered guests to sit for lunch.

coffee in morning sessions.

Given the length of time the conferences are there is a lot packed in.

I think conference is very informative. No suggestions at this time.

always great

Not sure, but will be volunteering with the planning committee for next, so hopefully I will have fantastic feedback on this topic next year!

Every thing was excellent except was difficult for some of attendees to walk the long distances to the conference rooms. This is the first conference in 17 years I did not freeze to death!

The food could have been improved and healthy snacks

It was really good, but attending one day I missed a lot of networking and posters and exhibits

Serving desserts after the meal. Cheese cake doesn't taste good when warm

Unfortunately, I could not stay for all of it but my impression is that you're doing it right. No change suggested.

it was great

none

as usual, rooms were too cold

none. I really appreciate having access to posters online where I can print and have as resource!

Not being so cold in the main hall! Otherwise, for the most part, it was pretty great.

Offering coffee during conference sessions. Speakers/content was exceptional!

I thought it was great.

more formal networking, more pediatric relevant topics

more variety with food choices for meals

no comment

It was great-thanks to all the board members and NC folks that planned such a great conference.

Got tired of eating so much chicken. Would like a better variety at the meals

everything went superbly well , no complaints. thanks for symposias,meals, posters,awards! ensure that there is adequate, free or reasonably priced transportation for attendees to airport.

more advanced practice, less basic

Not limiting the access to the pre-conference. People travel a great distance, it would be nice if everyone could be included in all the sessions.

It was my first time at conference and I really loved it! I can't think of anything that could be improved.

Nothing--great timing between talks and exhibit hall.

great presenters

I thought the conference was outstanding! Thank you Bernie for getting my information all together at the very last minute!!

I thoroughly enjoyed conference this year.

can't think of anything

This was my first time attending and I found it beneficial and informative. The conference was a good way to network and meet local vendor representatives. I hope to attend all three days next year.

everything was wonderful

Keeping speakers within time limit.

Having only received my WOCN in July of this year and working primarily as an Infection Prevention RN and filling in PRN as WOC Nurse in acute care I felt the education provided was excellent!

Have the next "North Carolina" Conference in Wilmington NC in September (after the busy summer season)

Less breaks for vendors. End last earlier since most participants have to travel back home.

more networking, no big gathering to talk or event like previous ones. Break out sessions (outpatient, home health etc) to discuss challenges. Pen pal fail, no one seemed to announce it

The symposia sponsors could coordinate with each other in menu selection. Serving chicken for so many meals in a row,was a little much.

Need 10 minute breaks in between sessions; Sessions need to start in timely manner; Way to much downtime on Friday; Could have increased speakers on Friday and cut Saturday to a half day.

This year's conference site was great. I thoroughly enjoyed the presentations. Adequate size room for exhibitors and for presentations. Food was great. Rooms were quite comfortable!!!

Don't have it in August - Maybe end earlier on Saturday - shift to an earlier start time on Thursday. Offer CE at the meal talks. Most of them could have qualified for CE.

The long break for exhibits and poster viewing seemed too long on the 2nd day. Would prefer more lectures and then a break.

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