

## **PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

32.25 CONTACT HOURS for nurses **& 21** CONTINUING COMPETENCY UNITS

for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.

The WOCN® Society developed the WTA Program to further empower wound, ostomy and continence (WOC) nurses in all health settings. When a WOC nurse is not available the WTA acts as a WOC nurse extender to provide optimal care for patients with acute and chronic wounds.

The WTA Program equips non-specialty licensed wound care providers with evidence-based international standards of care to work under the direction of a WOC specialty nurse, WOC advanced practice registered nurse or physician.



of graduates implemented changes to their practice based on information and skills learned.



of Course Coordinators believe WTA graduates have increased collaborations with other health care team members to enhance prevention of pressure injuries and management of wound and skin care. of graduates reported improved patient outcomes. INCREASED CONFIDENCE IN WOUND CARE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PATIENTS QUICKER HEALING TIMES & MORE COMFORT FOR PATIENTS INCREASE IN KNOWLEDGE AND TREATMENT STRATEGIES

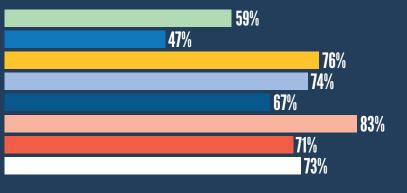
97%

of graduates stated that new knowledge, or updatedknowledge, was gained including:

- $\checkmark$  THE ABILITY TO DO ACCURATE WOUND ASSESSMENTS
- ✓ UNDERSTANDING OF TREATMENT OPTIONS
- APPRECIATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF CRITICAL AND ACCURATE DOCUMENTATION
- $\checkmark$  communication with the health care team
- BETTER TECHNIQUES IN WOUND IDENTIFICATION AND MANAGEMENT
- ✓ PATIENT AND COLLEAGUE EDUCATION
- PROMOTION OF WOUND PREVENTION STRATEGIES

## **AREAS IMPACTED BY WTA KNOWLEDGE & PRACTICE**

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BEHAVIORS LEADERSHIP SKILLS CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS NURSE COMPETENCY HIGH QUALITY CARE BASED ON BEST-AVAILABLE EVIDENCE IMPROVEMENT IN NURSING PRACTICE IMPROVEMENT IN PATIENT OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT IN NURSING CARE DELIVERY



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