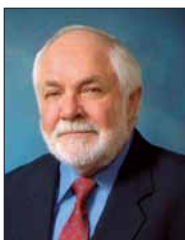




## WAWLC

World Alliance  
for Wound and  
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Care



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# News from WAWLC

The World Alliance for Wound and Lymphoedema Care (WAWLC), which was presented in the EWMA Journal 2010 Vol. 10 No 1, held its annual meeting in Geneva on the 16-18 November 2010 with the main objective of analysing activities during 2010 and planning ahead for 2011.

For any information about WAWLC organisation, activities and member organisations please visit [www.wawlc.org](http://www.wawlc.org)

### Summary of WAWLC events in 2010

- WAWLC Wound and Lymphedema seminar, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, July 7-9. 35 physicians and 14 nurses from Haiti received Certificates of Achievement. Faculty: Terry Treadwell, MD, FACS, Barbara Bates-Jensen, PhD, RN, Janice Young, RN, BSN, MPH, CWON, John M Macdonald MD, FACS.
- White Paper "Wound and Lymphoedema Management" published in 1,000 copies in May by the World Health Organization (WHO), available for download at [http://whqlibdoc.who.int/publications/2010/9789241599139\\_eng.pdf](http://whqlibdoc.who.int/publications/2010/9789241599139_eng.pdf). The white paper was used as text book for the training seminar in Haiti.
- Presentations on WAWLC given at the following wound events:
  - SAWC Fall & spring meetings;
  - EWMA Geneva Conference;
  - American Podiatric Medical Association;
  - Advances in Skin and Wound Care;
  - Argentina wound and lymphedema conference;
  - International Lymphoedema Framework Brighton Conference;
  - AMSUS (USA Military Medical Convention);
  - UBUNTU meeting South Africa;
  - CAWC Board Spring meeting.

- Establishment of two not for profit foundations: WAWLC-USA and WAWLC-Geneva.

The WAWLC-USA was created to handle donations from Haiti for the seminar and will be retained to facilitate North American fund raising.

### SELECTED TOPICS DISCUSSED AT THE GENEVA MEETING

#### Economy

In 2010 WAWLC has received financial contributions for a total of USD 41,000.

Funds have been spent to cover expenses related to: Realisation of the training seminar in Haiti including faculty travelling expenses; Travelling expenses related to: A) The General Secretary presenting WAWLC at the UBUNTU conference in South Africa and B) The Executive Board participating in the Geneva meeting; The technical support for constructing a donation module for the WAWLC website.

At the end of 2010 WAWLC has a balance of approximately USD 10,000.

#### Membership

Membership categories and annual fees were discussed and will be established by early 2011.

#### Secretariat

WAWLC activities are currently based entirely on the voluntary work of representatives of the organisations which have established WAWLC and the General Secretary.

WAWLC will in 2011 need a coordinator who can support the General Secretary and coordinate the activities of the WAWLC working groups.



### WAWLC Meetings in 2011

The 2011 Annual Meeting is scheduled to take place in Geneva on the 16-18 November.

The next WAWLC Executive Board and Advisory Board meeting will be in Brussels, Belgium, during the EWMA Conference 26-28 May. WAWLC will also hold a meeting at the ILF seminar in Toronto, Canada 16-18 June.

### Working Groups

The four working groups are now chaired as follows:

- Country Support Group:  
Jan Rice (La Trobe University, Australia)
- Program Development Group: Terry Treadwell  
(Association for the Advancement of Wound Care, U.S.A)
- Advocacy & Fundraising: Henrik J. Nielsen  
(EWMA Secretariat)
- Research, Monitoring and Evaluation:  
Christine Moffat (International Lymphoedema Framework)

### Agenda for 2011

- Robyn Bjork, MPT, WCC, CLT has presented her recent work with Podoconiosis in Ethiopia. A proposal for a future training program and intervention in Ethiopia, under the auspices and support of WAWLC has been elaborated.
- The Kuwait Ministry of Health has sent a request to WAWLC to conduct a site visit to Kuwait in February 2011. It is intended that WAWLC will conduct two educational programs in Kuwait in 2011.
- WAWLC has received a request from Uganda for educational support. It is intended that this initiative be developed by Wound Healing Association of South Africa under the direction of Liezl Naude and Hiske Smart.
- WAWLC will in 2011 as a minimum be represented at the following meetings:  
SFFPC Paris, France;  
Eucomed AWCS, Paris, France;  
SAWC in Dallas, Texas;  
EWMA 2011 Brussels, Belgium;  
SOBEST, Recife, Brazil;  
ILF in Toronto, Canada,  
ILS in Malmoe, Sweden.
- Collaboration with WHASA post UBUNTU at the Wounds International, Cape Town conference in February:
  - Algorithm/flow chart on basic treatment for wounds specifically designed for Africa. This will be printed on posters and distributed. The WAWLC logo will accompany the WHASA logo.
  - A "grassroots" training session (4 hours). WAWLC will be listed as a co-sponsor and will be represented by 2 WAWLC members on the faculty.
  - A T-shirt Walk-a-thon for WAWLC. T-shirts will be sold with the WAWLC name and the emblazoned "WALK the WAWLC for Wound Care". All money collected will go to WAWLC. ■

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