



## Press Release

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### For Immediate Release

#### **WOCNCB Certification Programs Accredited by National Commission for Certifying Agencies**

Prestigious accreditation is nationally recognized mark of excellence

**Milwaukee, WI December 19, 2011** The Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nursing Certification Board ([WOCNCB®](#)) is proud to announce that the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) has accredited its wound, ostomy and continence nursing certification programs. Accreditation by the NCCA demonstrates that the WOCNCB has met stringent standards set by the NCCA to ensure the health, welfare, and safety of the public. Accreditation has been granted for the following WOCNCB certification programs:

- CWCN® - Certified Wound, Ostomy, Continence Nurse
- CWCN® - Certified Wound Care Nurse
- COCN® - Certified Ostomy Care Nurse
- CCCN® - Certified Continence Care Nurse
- CWON® - Certified Wound Ostomy Nurse

According to Diana Gallagher, MS, RN, CWCN, CFCN, CHT and president of the WOCNCB, "Accreditation by this prestigious national agency validates that the WOCNCB certification process and programs meet our goals to provide specialty certification that protects the public and serves our certificants with quality. Further, accreditation indicates that the operational structure and management of the WOCNCB meet and even exceed certification industry standards for legal, regulatory and association management compliance."

NCCA evaluates certification organizations for compliance with the NCCA *Standards for the Accreditation of Certification Programs*, which exceed the requirements set forth by the American Psychological Association and the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Accreditation status is granted for five years. For further information about NCCA and the NCCA accreditation process and standards, visit their website at <HTTP://www.credentialingexcellence.org>.

### About the WOCNCB

The Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nursing Certification Board is a professional organization dedicated to providing consumer safety and protection by offering credentialing in the areas of wound, ostomy, continence and foot care nursing to registered nurses who meet WOCNCB's stringent qualifications and pass its certification examination. WOCNCB certified nurses provide quality care to patients in a variety of settings, including hospitals, long-term care facilities, and home healthcare. Today, over 6,500 WOCNCB certified nurses are practicing in the United States, Canada, South Korea, Japan, Malaysia, the United Kingdom and Saudi Arabia. The WOCNCB's wound, ostomy and continence certification programs are accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) and the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification (ABNSC). For more information, contact the WOCNCB at (888) 496-2622, e-mail [MAILTO:marketingmanager@wocncb.org](mailto:marketingmanager@wocncb.org), or visit <HTTP://www.wocncb.org>

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