

Impressions, reflections and relationships

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Reflection is a widely used tool in education and practice for giving individuals insight into events, incidents and processes, especially in case reports. These reports provide useful insights into the validity or not of traditional or emerging methods of wound ostomy and continence care as well as being helpful experiential educational tools to guide practice in these domains.

Case reports feature regularly in the journal and in this issue Liew and Chang discuss the challenges of managing complex head wounds involving the temporalis and sternocleidomastoid muscles. Makiling and Smart's quality improvement project describes the importance of instilling effective lifestyle changes in people with diabetes to avoid potential foot complications.

Similarly, Lee *et al* reflected on the wound management practices of wound care nurses in a Hong Kong wound clinic by conducting a retrospective review on the effectiveness of compression therapies leading them to conclude that elastic tubular compression products are suitable for some patients with venous leg ulcers.

Our notions and actions in healthcare are also guided by research. Call *et al* discuss their conclusions on comparing the capabilities of superabsorbent foam and superabsorbent polymer dressings in relation to the microclimate beneath these dressings from an experimental perspective.

As the year ends, I wish you all felicitations and encourage you to reflect on the impressions and relationships you have made individually and collectively to improve the outcomes of people requiring wound skin and ostomy care.

Best Wishes for the New Year.

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