

Barry Pilson, CAE, 2021 Chair of the Power of A Awards Judging Committee. "Given the pandemic-related challenges associations experienced over the past year, it's incredible to see countless cases of associations going above and beyond their everyday mission to change the world. It's a testament to our community and we're very proud to highlight these award-winning initiatives this year."



ASAE's Annual Power of A – Summit Awards ceremony

## WCET® live at WUWHS 2022

**Laurent O Chabal, BSc (CBP), RN, OncPall (Cert), Dip (WH), ET, EAWT, HES SO, WCET® President Elect 2018–2022**  
&  
**Denise Hibbert, MSc (WHTR), RGN, BSc (hons), DipHE, ONC, STN, FSSCRS WCET® President Elect 2022–2026**



The WCET® was represented in many ways and in many sessions at WUWHS 2022 in Abu Dhabi, UAE. WUWHS was held from the 1–5 March, as a hybrid conference at the ADNEC (Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Hall). The theme was "Global Healing, Changing Lives"!

We cannot thank President Gulnaz Tariq and the organising committees of WUWHS enough for giving us this wonderful opportunity to shine, to be involved, and to increase the awareness of our tri specialty (stoma, wound and continence).

On the first day WCET®, as a WUWHS supportive society, ran a half day education session on stoma and fistula care. There was very good attendance from both stoma



Laurent Chabal representing WCET® at the WUWHS opening ceremony

care nurses and non-stoma care healthcare providers. This was an interactive session, with participants from around the globe demonstrating their interest by asking pertinent questions and providing comments on the talk and the session in general. The face to face international networking and sharing was both inspiring and thought-provoking.





*Laurent Chabal & Dr Elizabeth Ayello at the opening ceremony*



*Dr Elizabeth Ayello receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award from H.E. Dr Jamal Mohammed Al Kaabi, Undersecretary of DOH Abu Dhabi*



*WCET® half day session  
Four hours on A&P; stoma siting; stomal & peristomal complications; ECF, case studies & an expert panel  
R-L: Dr Elizabeth Ayello, Laurent Chabal, Denise Hibbert and Dee Waugh*

At the opening ceremony Dr Elizabeth Ayello received the first of ten WUWHS Lifetime Achievement Award for 2022. We all know how hard Dr Ayello has worked as our WCET® President, and before that Vice President and Journal Editor, but it is wonderful to see her be recognised for her achievements globally by the WUWHS. Dr Ayello has been involved in WUWHS, as an interdisciplinary society, since its inception in 2000. Congratulations Dr Ayello!



*Denise Hibbert, Dee Waugh and Laurent Chabal at the peristomal complication satellite session*



Throughout the event Dr Elizabeth Ayello gave several amazing oral presentations and was also involved in the closing ceremony. Denise Hibbert gave a presentation on wounds and immunonutrition in the colorectal surgical population, while Dr Elizabeth Ayello, Dee Waugh and Laurent Chabal moderated some very interesting sessions on topics such as pressure injuries, communication skills, writing for publication, dressings, and other therapeutic options.





Dr Elizabeth Ayello and Dr Gary Sibbald on the podium

The event attracted over 4000 in-person registrants, making for lots of activity at the WCET® booth. Both members and supporters were able to pass by and pick up the most recent publications, allowing us to promote the association and its numerous activities. We also promoted WCET® with industry by going from booth to booth to explain our global mission and vision.



WCET® team busy building the booth

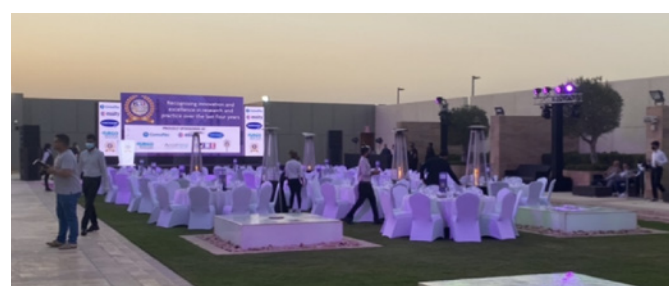


WCET® makes the news at WUWHS



Every day a piece was written about us on the WUWHS daily newspaper

Last but by no means the least, WCET® are so proud to have been awarded Silver at the JWC WUWHS 2022 event for the WCET® International Ostomy Guideline 2020 (Chabal, I., Prentice, J., Ayello, E.), in the category of Innovation in Skin Integrity.



WCET® winning the Silver Award in the category of Innovation in Skin Integrity. Dr Kimberly LeBlanc was awarded Gold – congratulations Kimberly!





*WCET® team happy at the end of a busy successful day*



*Malaysia wins WUWHS 23–27 September 2026 conference*

Congratulations to Ms Gulnaz Tariq, Hiske Smart and the organising and scientific committees of the WUWHS – what a great success. You have given nurses and women globally a voice in wound healing and have shown the value of our daily work. Bless YOU!



*WUWHS gala dinner*



*Gulnaz Tariq  
President WUWHS*



*Hiske Smart  
Secretary WUWHS*

Once again, many thanks to Ms Gulnaz Tariq and the WUWHS organisers for this fantastic opportunity. You can find recordings of the sessions on the online platform of WUWHS for the upcoming few weeks for those who registered.

We cannot wait to see you all there again at WUWHS 2026 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Its theme will be "Global paradigm shift: wound management specialty and recognition". Congratulations to Dr Harikrishna and Wounds Malaysia.



*WUWHS closing ceremony*