

## Registration

Online registration can be accessed at [cme.ahn.org](http://cme.ahn.org):

Click on **Courses**, then type or scroll down to find **17th Annual Chronic Wound Conference** and click on **Register**. The registration fee includes the course materials, continental breakfast, lunch, and break refreshments.

## Fees

Physicians: \$100

Non-AHN physicians: \$180

AHN employees: \$45

Non-AHN employees: \$120

Fellows, residents, and students: \$30

## Additional information

We are collecting food donations at registration. The AHN Healthy Food Center provides free healthy food options and nutrition counseling in the greater Pittsburgh community, and partners with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank to provide healthy food choices to people in need. We will be accepting food donations at registration to support their cause. They focus on collecting low-sodium, low-processed sugar foods such as peanut butter, tuna packed in water, beans/vegetables/fruit, fruit packed in natural juice or water, dried beans/lentils/brown rice/low sugar and high-fiber cereal, whole grains, and oats.

## Questions?

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# 17th Annual Chronic Wound Conference

Friday, April 28, 2023

RLA Learning and Conference Center  
850 Cranberry Woods Drive  
Cranberry Township, PA 16066



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Allegheny General Hospital  
Advanced Wound Healing Center

## Conference overview

This full-day course, presented by distinguished faculty, will help clinicians bring the latest advancements into their own work settings. This conference will provide the attendees an update on current research and best practices in wound care from a multidisciplinary team approach. It is intended for physicians, physician assistants, podiatrists, nurse practitioners, nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists, dietitians, and all others involved in wound management.

## Conference objectives

- Identify the advantages of the involvement of physical therapy in wound care patients
- Verbalize the necessity of podiatry involvement in wound care patients
- Describe the outcome advantages with home care involvement
- Understand the complex physiology of amputation
- Describe the role of nutrition and weight loss in wound healing
- Relate the effects of pain management to wound healing
- Recognize the importance of management of venous insufficiency in wound care patients
- Describe the different stages of lymphedema and therapy options available

## CME accreditation

### Physicians

Allegheny General Hospital is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Approved for 6.0 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*<sup>™</sup>.

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**The National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA)** states that the *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*<sup>™</sup> are acceptable for continuing medical education requirements for recertification.

### Physical therapists

Application has been submitted to the PA State Board of Physical Therapy for approval of continuing education credit.

### Podiatrists

West Penn Hospital is approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education as a sponsor of continuing education in podiatric medicine. This educational activity has been approved for continuing education contact hours.

## Program agenda

**7 – 8 a.m.** Breakfast, registration, and visit exhibits

**8 – 8:05 a.m.** Welcome  
**Elisa C. Taffe, MD, CWSP, FSVM**

**8:05 – 8:35 a.m.** Amputations  
**Edward Westrick, MD**

**8:35 – 8:50 a.m.** Physical therapy case presentation  
**Jennifer Saunders, PT, DPT, CLT, CWS**

**8:50 – 9:50 a.m.** Physical therapy and wound care  
**Jillian Caster, PT, DPT, CLT, CWS**  
**Sung-ah Keppel, PT, DPT, WMS, CLT**

**9:50 – 10:20 a.m.** Break and visit vendors

**10:20 – 10:35 a.m.** Venous disease case presentation  
**Elisa C. Taffe, MD, CWSP, FSVM**

**10:35 – 11:05 a.m.** Update in treatment of venous disease  
**Shruthi Thiagarajasubramanian, MD, RPVI**

**11:05 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.** Bariatric management/nutrition  
**Kelly McCardle, PA-C**  
**Melissa Schultz, PA-C**

**12:05 – 1 p.m.** Lunch and visit vendors

**1 – 1:15 p.m.** Podiatry case presentation  
**Elisa C. Taffe, MD, CWSP, FSVM**

**1:15 – 1:45 p.m.** Podiatry and wound care  
**Matthew J. Hentges, DPM, FACFAS**

**1:45 – 2:15 p.m.** Home health care and wound care  
**Dawn McElhaney, BSN, RN, WCC, CLS-C**

**2:15 – 2:45 p.m.** Break and visit vendors

**2:45 – 3 p.m.** Lymphedema case presentation  
**Jennifer Saunders, PT, DPT, CLT, CWS**

**3 – 3:30 p.m.** Update in lymphedema management  
**Oleseyi Aliu, MD**

**3:30 – 4 p.m.** Pain management  
**Dimitri Vassiliev, MD**

**4 p.m.** Wrap-up and drawings

## Conference co-directors

### Elisa C. Taffe, MD, CWSP, FSVM

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Medicine,  
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## Faculty

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