

**EWMA conference 2014 eHealth Symposium
Friday May 16**

eHealth in wound care - From pilot projects to routine care

Overall objective:

With this one day symposium EWMA, for the second time, aim to set focus on the ever increasing introduction of eHealth and ICT in health care in general and wound care in particular.

More and more eHealth is being introduced as an important means to solve the future challenges our health care systems are facing. eHealth solutions are perceived as essential tools to enable more care to be provided outside of hospitals and to facilitate interdisciplinary collaboration and communication across units and sectors to optimise continuity of care. What we see now is rapid development of available technologies with ever-increasing examples of regions and countries where eHealth is already part of routine care. eHealth is here to stay and will forever change the way care is delivered. The hope is that the use of these technologies will lead to more responsive care of higher quality at lower costs. What is now important is to understand how this can be achieved.

The eHealth symposium will delve into current trends and developments at the policy level, the current implementation status of telemedicine in wound care, and recent technological developments. The program will conclude with a key session discussing the challenges related to generating evidence on clinical effectiveness and cost efficiency and explore the barriers and facilitators related to large-scale implementation of eHealth.

EWMA has invited some of Europe's leading experts, researchers, and experienced practitioners within the field of eHealth and wound care to guide the audience through these topics.

Time	Topic	Speaker
<p>eHealth in standard wound Care: Trends and current practice</p> <p>This session kick off with a presentation on the overall objective and framework of the EWMA document "eHealth in wound care". This will be followed by a presentation of the ideas and expectations of the highly profiled UK initiative "3millionlives" aiming to transform delivery of care for people with chronic conditions, by mainstreaming telehealth and telecare. The session will then move with presentations from countries and regions where telemedicine for wound care is already integrated into routine service delivery. The session will end with a presentation on the evaluation results from a mature teledermatology services in Netherlands and based on these findings discuss what development can be expected in the field of wound care.</p>		
<p>Chairs: Cathryn Vowden and Knud Yderstræde</p>		
08.00 09.30	EWMA Guidance Document "eHealth in wound care"; Objectives and framework	Salla Seppänen, EWMA
	3 Million Lives - The Challenges and Opportunities for Mainstreaming Telecare and Telehealth	Trevor Single, UK
	From pilot project to national implementation; Telemedicine as standard care in Denmark	Knud Yderstræde, DK

	E-health the Australian way	William McGuiness, AUS
	Implementing telemedicine in wound care in Norway	Undine Knarvik, NO
	What can wound care learn from dermatology; 6 years of tele-dermatology in the Netherlands: results of 80 000 tele-consultations	Job Van der Heijden, NL
09.30 10.15	Coffee break	
<p>Workshop: Information and Communication Technologies in Wound Care Join this workshop to discover how ICT can contribute the improvement of wound evaluation and diagnosis. The workshop will investigate in depth how social networks impact on the collaborative work between clinicians and patients and demonstrate how advances on pressure ulcer e-learning can be used as an effective tool for nursing education on wound diagnosis, care and treatment.</p>		
	Chair: Pablo Lopez Casanova and Laura Morente	
10.15 11.15	eHealth 2.0 and wound care: From computer to smartphones	Pablo Lopez Casanova
	Information and Communication Technologies for Wound Diagnosis and E-Learning	Laura Morente
<p>Adopting innovative technologies for wound care – what can we expect from the future? Join this session to learn how adoption of innovative technologies can help improve wound care. In this session the audience will be presented to a number of concrete ICT technologies currently being developed and adapted to wound care and get a glimpse on what can be expected from future.</p>		
	Chair: Pedro L. Pancorbo	
11.30	Innovative technologies in wound care, examples from a Danish innovation project and a look into the crystal bowl	Knud Yderstræde, DK
12.30	Computational Intelligence for Pressure Ulcer Diagnosis	Francisco Javier Veredas Navarro, ESP
	Prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers and nutritional status in elderly population: development and first results of an ICT tool for clinical decision support	Josu Xabier Llano Hernaiz, ESP
12.30 13.30	Lunch & Exhibition	
<p>Key session Moving from pilot projects to routine care: Overcoming the obstacles When moving eHealth projects from isolated pilot projects to large scale deployment a lot of obstacles need to be considered. This session will set focus on what key factors need to be in place in order to successfully scale-up eHealth implementation. The first presentation will give a brief introduction to the Momentum blueprint offering guidance on telemedicine deployment by providing a systematic overview of enabling factors and barriers. With an outset in the EU funded projects Renewing Health and United4health the session then move on to highlight what evidence is needed to gain support from decision makers and give status on what evidence is currently available. This will include discussions on the important choice of study design when evaluating the effect of implementing these technologies. Finally the session will end by looking at barriers and facilitators related to implementation when technologies meet the frontline clinical</p>		

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	Chair: Bill McGuiness and Diane Whitehouse	
	"Telehealth – From pilot to routine care – Key success factors: Results from the Momentum project"	Diane Whitehouse, EHTEL
13.30	From evidence to policy making: the RENEWING HEALTH experience	Georgia Centis, IT
15.00	What evidence do we have to support the case of telemedicine in wound care so far focusing on diabetic wounds	Benjamin Schnack Rasmussen, DK
	Will the health care system gain economic and clinical benefits by introducing telemedicine in wound care?	Dorte Skou Lassen, DK
	Overcoming the barriers to mainstreaming remote care technologies – Exploring staff roles and experience of utilizing telehealth for community nursing	Jo Nicholson, UK

eHealth symposium and the Untied4Health project

The eHealth symposium at this years EWMA conference is one of the activities that EWMA and The European Health Telematics Association (EHTEL) have committed to deliver as consortium partners in the EU funded project, United4Health. The purpose of the eHealth symposium is to disseminate knowledge about various aspects of eHealth to an international audience of health care clinicians in order to shed light on benefits and barriers related to the uptake of these new technologies.

ABOUT THE United4Health PROJECT

United4Health aims to exploit and further deploy innovative telemedicine services already validated or under validation in the Renewing Health project; trialed in 15 regions across Europe to guarantee aggregation of data and comparability of results. All service solutions adopt a patient centred approach, and involve the telemonitoring and the treatment of chronic patients with diabetes, COPD, or CVD. Services are designed to give patients a central role in the management of their diseases, fine-tuning the choice and dosage of medications, promoting compliance to treatment, and helping professionals to detect early signs of worsening. The effectiveness of the solutions will be evaluated using the MAST methodology that is increasingly the method of choice for evaluating healthcare projects.

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