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EDITORIAL

Letter From the Chair

Dear Fellows of the College:

I am honored to be taking over the leadership of the College from Dr Wayne Stuart, who did an outstanding job over the past year. Through his leadership efforts, we have continued to grow and expand our collaboration with other wound care organizations. This year saw many accomplishments. We had our first international wound care meeting in Bogota, Colombia, in July 2010. This joint venture with our Latin American partners allowed us access to a whole new group of clinicians who are initiating more advanced wound care in their countries. We also partnered with the National Lymphedema Network in September and put on a pre-conference at that meeting, which was a great success.

Another aspect of the College to be proud of is the journal. Through the ongoing efforts of our editor-in-chief, Dr Richard Simman, and his associate editors, it continues to prosper. We have been receiving numerous high-quality articles that have helped to maintain our high level of quality with each edition. We continue to encourage all of

our members to submit articles to the journal. This is your publication, and we want it to be the best it can be.

This new chapter in the College sees us moving in a strong forward path. We are scheduled to give another conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in May, and we have been invited to present our course in Brazil this summer. As part of our continuing education efforts, we will continue to partner with the National Lymphedema Network, and we will be putting on a regional symposium in Ohio in August of this year.

Finally, our goal is to continue to grow as an organization and expand our sphere of influence. As such, we will be looking to strengthen our public policy outreach and lend our voice to other organizations that are working to impact the wound care field on a national level. I invite you to become involved in our working committees and make an impact in our College.

Sincerely,

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