

Mary M. Harris, RN, BSN, CWON

I am volunteering to be the President-elect of the New England Region of the WOCN Society. I have been volunteering in this region for over 15 years, beginning with a member of the PAC committee, then the Education Committee. I volunteered to become one of the co-chairs of the Education Committee. Since 2013, I have been the Chairperson for the Nominations Committee (of one). I am now interested in leading this amazing team and region.

Education

January – March 2002: Dr. Turnbull School of ET Nursing, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH.
Graduated May 1983: D’Youville College, 320 Porter Ave, Buffalo, NY, 14201. Received BSN.

Professional Experience:

August 2021 – Present: Aya Healthcare for Travel Nursing

Brigham & Women’s Hospital, 75 Francis Street, Boston, MA 02115. 617-732-5500

Travel assignment, full time in acute care. 790+ bed hospital.

January 2021 – June 2021: American Mobile Nursing for Travel

Metropolitan Methodist Hospital, 1310 McCullough Ave. San Antonio, TX 78212. 210-757-2200.

Travel assignment, full time in acute care. 300 bed acute hospital. Precepting new WOCN preparing for her Certification. Caring for homeless, IV drug abuse wounds, Fournier’s Gangrene, frostbite, burns, fistulas, pressure injuries, non-healing/dehisced surgical wounds, skin tears, etc

May -October 2020: American Mobile Nursing for Travel

New York Presbyterian Hudson Valley, 1980 Crompond Road, Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567. 914-734-3569

Travel assignment, full time in an outpatient wound clinic & HBO unit. Physician run wound clinic.

January – April 2020: Aya Healthcare for Travel

Sutter Solano Medical Center. 300 Hospital Drive, Vallejo, CA, 94589, (707- 554-4444)

Travel assignment for 12 weeks, working full time in the 100 bed, acute care hospital as the only certified wound & ostomy nurse.

September – December 2019: Supplemental Health for Travel:

Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center. 606 Elm Street, Buffalo, NY 14203. (716-845-2300)

September – December 2019. 133 bed teaching hospital with multiple outpatient clinics

Travel assignment for 13 weeks, working full time in the acute care hospital and outpatient clinics. Caring for patients with cancer.

October 2018 – June 2019: Aya Healthcare for Travel.

Northwest Medical Center: 6200 N. La Cholla Blvd. Tucson, AZ 85741 (520-742-9000) January 2019 – June 2019. 350 bed non-teaching, non-trauma hospital

Travel assignment for 25 weeks, working full-time in the acute care hospital Program: Cerner

Methodist Hospital: 4499 Medical Dr., San Antonio, TX 78229 (210-575-4497) October 2018 – December 2018. 1600+bed level 2 trauma & teaching hospital.

Travel assignment for 13 weeks, working full-time in the acute care hospital, level 2 trauma center,

15 June 2015 – 20 September 2018: Eastern Maine Medical Center (EMMC): 489 State Street, Bangor, ME 04401. 400+ beds, level 2 trauma & teaching hospital.

May 1, 2017 – September 2018: Working part-time in the Outpatient wound & ostomy clinic as a CWON. Working under the direction of a MD and FNP

June 2015-1 May 2017: Working part-time in a mix of Acute & Outpatient wound/ostomy care. Level 2 trauma center

January 2008—12 June 2015: Bangor Area Visiting Nursing (BAVN) AKA: Eastern Maine Home Care (EMHC), 885 Union St, Suite 220, Bangor, ME 04401:

Certified Wound & Ostomy Nurse Consultant.

January 2014 – May 2015: Eastern Maine Community College. Bangor, ME 04401. Part time Clinical Instructor for Senior Nursing Students at Eastern Maine Medical Center on the surgical floors and on the ortho/neuro floor.

January 2009—December 2010: ConvaTec Nurse Consultant:

September 2006—December 2009: Community Health & Counseling Services (CHCS), 42 Cedar St, Bangor, ME 04401. 207-947-0366.

January 2009—September 2009: Penobscot Community & Health Care, Stillwater Ave, Bangor, ME 04401: CWON part-time, worked with the MD, NP and PA to provide recommendations for wound care within the medical office, and area nursing homes.

March 2001—May 2005: Providence Sound Homecare & Hospice, PO box 500, Olympia, WA 98509, 360-493-7882. CWON part-time, consultant to nurses in 2 county offices. In-home visits to pt with complex wounds, ostomies and incontinence problems.

1998—March 2001: Healthteam Northwest, Olympia, WA: In-home IV therapy RN throughout Southern WA State. Was team leader. This company went bankrupt and closed in February/March 2001.

1996—1998 (don't remember exact dates): Missouri Home Health Care, Rolla, MO: per diem home care RN.

1994—1996: Olsten Kimberly Quality Care, Hopkinsville, KY: Full-time homecare RN, primarily working on the IV team and wound team. Supervisor: Inez Wofford, RN

1993—1994: Merrimac Home Healthcare, Rolla, MO: per diem homecare RN.

1988—1992: *Visiting Nurses of Western New York, Buffalo, NY:* full-time RN for homecare, then 1 year on the IV team, 6 months as Liaison RN with the VNA at Roswell Park Memorial Cancer Institute, then 1.5 years as a team supervisor. Supervisor: Lee Martin, RN

1985—1988: *Erie County Medical Center, Buffalo, NY:* full-time RN for 1 year on the float team; then full-time RN in the Surgical/Trauma ICU.

1977—1985: *Lake Shore Hospital, Irving, NY; a 50 bed rural community hospital:*

1983-1985, full-time RN working nights on the medical/surgical floor and covering the ED.

1981-1985, part-time LPN working weekends, holidays and summers while going to school.

1979-1981, part-time CNA working weekends, holidays and summers.

1977-1979, summer volunteer assisting with paperwork, transportation, housekeeping, odd jobs

Professional Organizations

WOCN: National Member and active New England Region Member

Certified in Wound and Ostomies, Cert #2003248364, exp 12/2022

Interests and Activities and Volunteer Experience

Volunteer Member of “The Nurses’ Health Study I and II”, since 1983. This is a health and lifestyle study conducted by the Harvard School of Public Health and the Channing Laboratory at Brigham and Women’s Hospital.

Chair of the NER WOCN Nominations Committee, Fall 2013 – Present. Volunteer position.

Co-chair of the NER WOCN Education Committee, Spring 2010—Fall 2013. Volunteer position

Committee Member on the NER WOCN Education Committee, Fall 2008—Fall 2013; Volunteer position.

Chair of Northern Maine Wound Nurses monthly dinner in-services, 3/2010—10/2018. Volunteer.