



## **Tracy Rodgers**

### **RN, BSN, WCC, LNCC**

#### **Resilience. Dedication. Inspiration.**

Our January Outstanding WCC, Tracy Rodgers, embodies the true meaning of resilience. After surviving a devastating car accident that left her in a body cast, Tracy defied the odds, surpassing her doctors' expectations to continue her passion for nursing. Her journey is a testament to strength, perseverance, and the power of experience in shaping exceptional patient care.

With over 30 years in healthcare, Tracy began her career as an LPN at just 18, becoming an RN by 19. She earned her WCC in 2009 and has an extensive background in long-term care. Inspired by a legal nurse consultant session led by Cindy Broadus at the Wild on Wounds Conference, Tracy pursued her LNCC and now serves as a consultant on legal and malpractice cases, even testifying as an expert witness.

In 2011, her life changed forever when a car accident left her with multiple fractures. Forced to rely on others, she experienced patient care from the other side—an eye-opening perspective that shaped her approach to nursing education. Her recovery defied medical predictions, proving that resilience and determination can overcome even the toughest challenges.

Today, Tracy is passionate about mentoring and educating wound care nurses, especially those new to the field. She teaches her students to see "the patient as a whole, not just the hole in the patient." She emphasizes the body's natural healing process, the importance of nutrition in wound healing, and the need for a positive, proactive approach to patient care.

Beyond clinical skills, Tracy is a strong advocate for nurses taking charge of their own growth. She encourages her students to seize opportunities rather than wait for them, often reminding them: "Your tomorrow starts today." She believes in leaning into life and saying yes to new experiences.

Tracy's journey has inspired countless nurses, proving that challenges can shape us into better caregivers, educators, and leaders. NAWCO is honored to recognize Tracy Rodgers as an Outstanding WCC and celebrate her unwavering dedication to wound care.

Hear Tracy's Story Firsthand!

 Join her at the HEAL Conference in Las Vegas this August! [Register here](#)

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Know someone like Tracy who is making a difference in wound care? We'd love to hear their story! Click the link below to nominate an Outstanding WCC.

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