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Dr. Geoffrey C. Gurtner was elected to the Executive Committee of the Wound Healing Society in 2017. He served one term as Vice President, followed by one term as President-Elect. On May 12, 2019 at the WHS 31st Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas, Dr. Gurtner assumed the role of WHS President.

Founded in 1989, the Wound Healing Society (WHS) is known both nationally and internationally as the premier scientific organization focused on wound healing research and education. The mission of the society is to improve wound healing outcomes through science, professional education and communication, using our **Wound Healing Society Guiding Principles**: *Leading* multi-disciplinary research in wound science and outcomes, *Linking* scientists and clinicians to advance wound healing research, *Translating* discovery into evidence based clinical outcomes and *Communicating* through mentoring, education, publications, and global networking.

The WHS Annual Meeting, held in conjunction with SAWC Spring, attracts over 2,000 participants including physicians, researchers, podiatrists, scientists, nurses, PA's, plus industry professionals. Serving as a forum to connect the entire Wound Team, the WHS track consists of three and a half days of scientific programming, including panel discussions, academic presentations and abstract sessions

The 2020 WHS Annual Meeting will be held at the San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, CA, May 13-17, 2020.

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