



## NANCY GILES-MCINTOSH

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**Nancy Giles-McIntosh** completed her diploma in nursing in 1982 at St.Clair College in Windsor, Ontario where she was born and raised. She worked in Windsor from 1982-84 on an Orthopedic and Neurosurgical floor before moving to London in 1985 to pursue a career in critical care nursing. While working at London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) in the Critical Care Trauma Centre (CCTC), a busy 30-bed unit, Nancy worked as a staff nurse before assuming a Charge Nurse position in 1991 until the end of September 2014. At that time, she worked part-time to complete the Master of Clinical Science in Wound Healing (MCIScWH) at Western University after which she worked on the Skin Wound and Ostomy team at LHSC for a year before returning to bedside nursing in the CCTC. Nancy has been a certified Critical Care Nurse since 1995 and has furthered her wound care knowledge over the years by attending various workshops and conferences as well as doing an RNAO fellowship in wound care and completing the International Interdisciplinary Wound Care Course (IIWCC) in 2005. Nancy has taught staff members new to critical care in London as well as participated in the critical care skills fairs to help further wound care knowledge. She has also presented wound care topics at 3 national critical care conferences in 2010, 2011, and 2012.

Nancy has often sought to better treat the various wounds seen in the critical care environment. This may be complex acute traumatic or surgical wounds or chronic wounds that already exist in a compromised and critically ill patient. She is a hands-on type of person and envisions better ways to treat wounds according to best practice guidelines in a fiscally responsible manner. Nancy enjoys being able to teach the physicians, nurses, and other members of the multidisciplinary team, the skills needed to deal with the various wounds they face whether in acute care, the community, or long-term care.

Nancy loves time with family up at her parents' and in-laws' cottages where she can take advantage of the peaceful surroundings and refreshing lakes. She enjoys golf and being outdoors and also loves to cook and focus on healthy eating which can be a challenge with a busy schedule! In her spare time, she sells Epicure Selections Products which promote healthy and delicious eating. Nancy has been a long-term volunteer at her local YMCA in the Heart Wellness program. At LHSC, she volunteered doing the IMPACT Program aimed at high school students where they learn first hand the consequences of high risk behaviour including impaired and distracted driving.