



Select Publications

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Dr. Simon Palfreyman's main focus of research is on measuring the impact of nursing interventions on patients. The specific areas of his research interests are in the areas of wound care, nursing outcomes, evidence-based practice and Patient Reported Outcomes (PROs).

Dr. Palfreyman has recently published papers on evaluating the performance of generic quality of life questionnaires in patients with pressure ulcers, and a qualitative study exploring the attitudes of clinical staff to caring for patients who are obese.

Dr. Palfreyman is currently completing a scoping review of the impact of obesity on wound outcomes. He hopes to be able to develop this into a project to examine how the delivery of care for this group can be improved.

Clinical Implications of Research

The costs of treatments for acute and chronic wounds in Canada was estimated in 2013 to be \$3.9 billion per annum. Wounds have financial costs on patients and their carers, but more importantly also severely impact on quality of life.

Dr. Palfreyman's research interests lie in how the care for wounds and other conditions can be evaluated and demonstrated to be cost-effective. His main focus is on the clinical impact and implication of the research in wounds and patient-reported outcomes. The measurement of the effectiveness of care is a key criteria for the delivery of nursing and healthcare.

Vision Statement

Clinicians need to be able to clearly demonstrate that what they do makes a difference to patients.

