



## Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO) appoints Mnaamodzawin Health Services as the First Aboriginal First Nation agency to have been identified with the Best Practice Spotlight Organization (BPSO).

**March 24, 2015** Toronto, ON The Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO) announced that Mnaamodzawin Health Services has been selected as one (1) of nine (9) health care organizations in Canada within cohort five (5) to be designated as a Best Practice Spotlight Organization (BPSO). There are currently 92 Best Practice Spotlight Organizations world wide with a total of 450 sites. Best Practice spotlight Organizations (BPSOs) are healthcare and academic organizations selected by the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO) through a proposals process to implement and evaluate the RNAO's best practice guidelines. It is a partnership that focuses on making a positive impact on patient care through evidence-based practice. It provides support to organizations that have formally agreed to implement and evaluate multiple RNAO best practice guidelines over a three (3) year period.

Mnaamodzawin Health Services (MHS) serves five (5) First Nations: Aundeck Omni Kaning, Sheguiandah, Sheshegwaning, Whitefish River and Zhiibaa-haasing. Thru obtaining our BPSO designation our long term goal is to reduce foot and leg ulcers; reduce amputations to zero and most importantly respect an individual's decision in their life journey. Overall, improve quality of health care by sustaining best practice guidelines.

Mnaamodzawin Health Services has identified five (5) Best Practice Guidelines over the next three years:

- 1) Assessment and Management of Venous Leg Ulcers
- 2) Client Centred Care
- 3) Assessment and Management of Foot Ulcers for People with Diabetes
- 4) Embracing Cultural Diversity in Health Care: Developing Cultural Competencies
- 5) Care and Maintenance to Reduce Vascular Access Complications

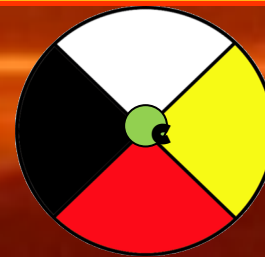
### Assessment and Management of Venous Leg Ulcers



### Managing Foot Ulcers in People with Diabetes



### Care & Maintenance to Reduce Vascular Access Complications



### Client Care in the Last Days and Hours of Life

