

**Tom O'Conner, biography**

Tom O'Connor is a Senior Lecturer and Deputy Head of the School of Nursing and Midwifery in the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. He is working in nurse education since 2000 and holds qualifications in advanced nursing and a Doctorate in Education. In his professional background he is registered as a general nurse and has clinical experience in the Netherlands, Australia and Ireland. He is currently involved in research in woundcare relating to pressure ulcer risk assessment methodologies and the impact of patient and lay carer education on pressure ulcer prevention.