### Method
Multi-method approach to assess the effect of e-Learning on client and staff outcomes.

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Data collection has been completed. Publications pending.

This project facilitated the translation of clinical practice guidelines via e-learning community member education packages to state wide regional nursing services in Victoria and Western Australia.

**Key Achievements:**
Two hundred and ninety five nurses and health workers were trained to provide e-learning to assist 329 older community members as part of this project. Multi-model implementation methods were successful in implementing the evidence-based initiatives as planned. Drawing information from clients, carers, nurses, health workers and the clinical leaders, the evidence-based e-learning education has been shown to increase knowledge and increase self-care behaviours in the target audiences.

**Contribution to Knowledge:**
- In people with venous leg ulcers, LUPP led to an increase in knowledge of venous leg ulcers, and the adoption of some of the recommended behaviour changes promoted in LUPP.
- The nursing staff delivering LUPP felt that LUPP taught them additional information about the care of people with venous leg ulcers, and also systematised the care they already delivered.
- Key attributes of nurses (including personal, team and capability aspects) were identified as important for the uptake of evidence into practice in this project. Three levels of clinical leadership were identified.
- Those community members who engaged with SAP increased their knowledge of skin health, and adopted some of the behaviours recommended by SAP.
- The health workers who had SAP training increased their knowledge of skin health, increased their roles and responsibilities, including applying a preventative approach to prevent the escalation of minor skin issues to more serious problems. This led to an increase in respect by nurses of the role health workers can play in preventing serious skin issues, and ultimately led to a more collaborative approach in care delivery by these care providers.

**Publications and presentations:**