



### **New England Chapter of the WOCN® Society 2023 Scholarship Recipient – Sarah Harrington**



I have had the goal of becoming a certified WOC Nurse since I first started working at LHMC in 2019. I had the opportunity to work alongside Melissa Ayer, CWOCNP, and Susan Bellofatto, CWCN while caring for postop colorectal and urology surgical patients. These two women inspired me to pursue certification as a WOC Nurse. After leaving LHMC in 2022, I started a new position at MGH in their IBD Center. I completed the full scope program earlier this month. I am currently working with several doctors to create a WOC Nurse role in a new IBD multi-disciplinary clinic at the MGH Waltham Campus. In this role, I will have the opportunity to meet patients and guide them, being both a supporter and an educator during this stressful, challenging moment in their lives. I am honored to have the opportunity to help build this new role and could not be more excited and ready to begin my new career as a WOC Nurse!

