

# Diabetes Foot Care

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# **Indian Health Service (IHS) Best Practice for Diabetic Foot Care A Strategy for Primary Care Clinicians**

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# Learner Objectives

1. List risk four factors for diabetic foot complications
2. Be able to conduct a complete diabetic foot exam
3. List three interventions associated with decreased risk for foot complications
4. State four educational objectives for patients at high risk for foot complications
5. Describe four components of the chronic care model related to improving diabetic foot care

# Protecting the Diabetic Foot

## A Strategy for Primary Care Clinicians

- Screening for High Risk Patients
- Practical Interventions
- Implementation into Practice



# Why is Foot Care Important for People with Diabetes?

- ~40% will develop peripheral neuropathy
- ~20% have an acute foot problem on foot exam
- ~15% will develop an ulceration (cost ~ \$13–30K each)
- 5–10% progress to amputation (cost ~\$50K/yr each)
- 43% with ulcer and 47% with amputation die in 5 yrs
- Most amputations can be prevented with resources currently available in primary care
- Most patients with diabetes get their care from primary care providers

CDC, 2008; Harris, 1993; Kumar, 1994; Borrsen, 1990; Reiber, 1999; Stockl, 2004; Rith-Najarian, 2001; Moulik, 2003

# Foot-Related Risk Factors for Ulceration

<b>Risk Factor</b>	<b>Ulcer</b>	<b>LEA</b>
Neuropathy	+	+
Deformity	+	+
Limited Joint Mobility	+	+
Prior Ulcer/LEA	+	+
PVD	+	+
Onychomycosis	+	

Pham, 2000; Lavery, 1998; Rosenbloom, 1996; Walters, 1992; Kumar, 1994; Fernando, 1991; Rith-Najarian, 1992; Mayfield 1996; Alder, 1999, Boyko, 2006

# Non-Foot-Related Risk Factors for Ulceration and Amputation

Risk Factor	Ulcer	LEA
Male Sex	+	
Duration DM	+	
Age	+	
<i>hyperglycemia</i>	+	+
<i>hypertension</i>	+	+
<i>dyslipidemia</i>	+	+
<i>smoking</i>	±	±
<i>Vision &lt; 20/40</i>	+	
<i>Other complications</i>	+	+

# Simple Criteria to Identify High-Risk Feet in People with Diabetes

- Insensate to 10-gram monofilament  
*or Insensate to 128-Hz tuning fork*
- Foot deformity
- Prior ulcer or amputation
- Absent pulse or abnormal ABI pressure

Diabetes Care, 15:1386-89, 1992; N Eng J Med, 1995;322:269-70.

Diabetes Care, 31:1679-85, 2008; Diabetes Res Clin Pract, 70:8-12, 2005

Feet Can Last a Lifetime, NIH/NIDDK, 2002

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Press perpendicular to point of bending, hold one second and release (demonstrate on hand)

Patient Closes Eyes, and acknowledges sensation of pressure with a “yes”

Test Both Feet, four sites each: Great toe and 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> metatarsal heads (not heel or dorsum)

Insensate in one or more area confers risk



Perkins, Diabetes Care 2001;24:250-256

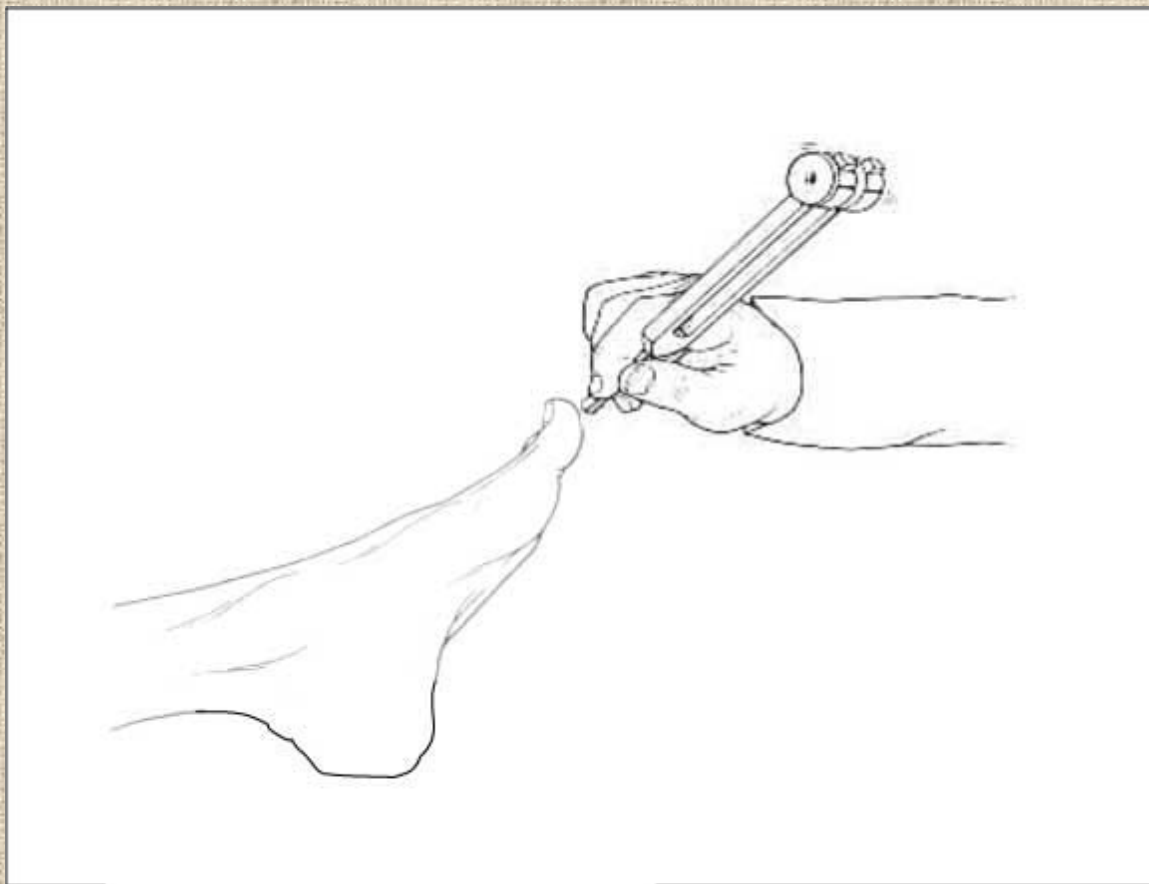
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# Vibration Sensation testing

## 128 Hz tuning Fork

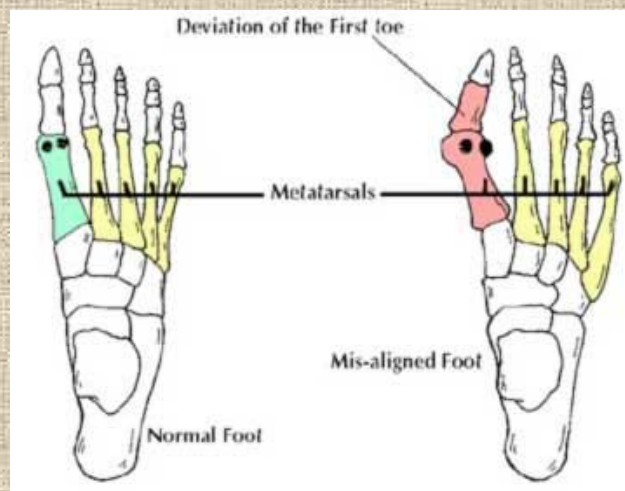
- Tested over the tip of the great toe bilaterally
- An abnormal response can be defined as when the patient loses vibratory sensation and the examiner still perceives it while holding the fork on the tip of the either toe





# Development of Foot Deformities

## Bunions – hallux valgus



# Foot Deformities associated with risk for Amputation

## Bunions – hallux valgus





# Foot Deformities Associated with Risk for Amputation



# Foot Deformities associated with risk for Amputation

## Charcot Foot



# Selected Clinical Assessments of Peripheral Arterial Vascular Status and Abnormal Thresholds

<u>Vascular Test</u>	<u>Abnormal Threshold</u>
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Pedal Pulses:	absent
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Ankle Brachial Index (ABI):	< 0.8
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Toe BI:	< 0.6
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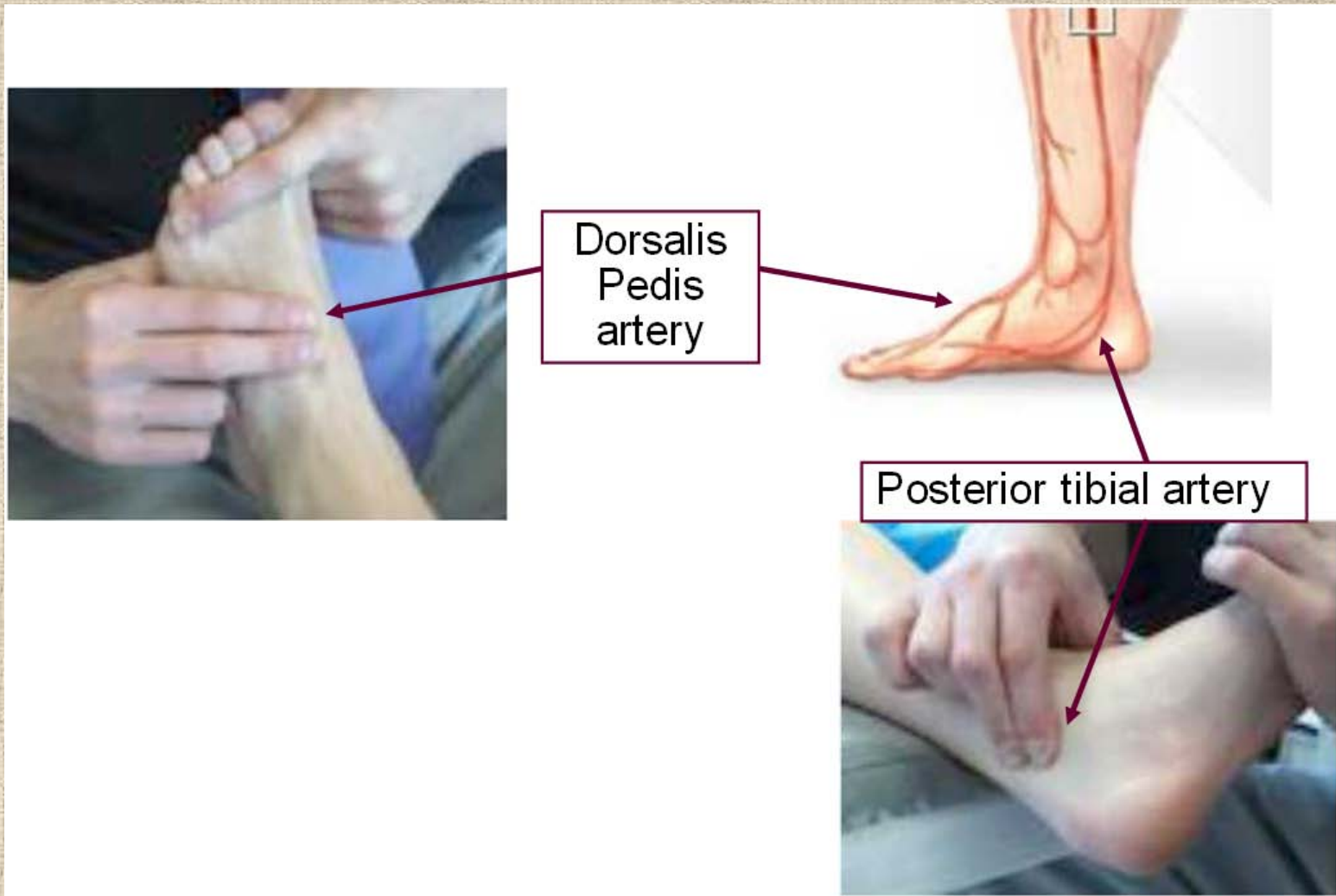
Pham Diabetes Care 2000;23:606-11

Wang, Circulation 2005;112:3501-3508

Suominen, European J Vasc Surg 2008;35:709



# Arterial Anatomy of the Foot





# Ankle Brachial Index

1. Measure Doppler brachial pressures in each arm
2. Measure Doppler pressure in each ankle



from Hurley et al, The Diabetic Foot, 1993

3. **Calculate ABI:**  $ABI = \text{Ankle BP} / \text{Brachial BP}$   
*Divide the ankle pressure by the greater of the two brachial pressures*

# Correlation of POAD Symptoms by ABI Category

Severity Category	ABI Value
Normal	1.0–1.4
Borderline	0.90-0.99 or >1.4
Mild	0.70–0.89
Moderate	0.40–0.69
Severe	< 0.40

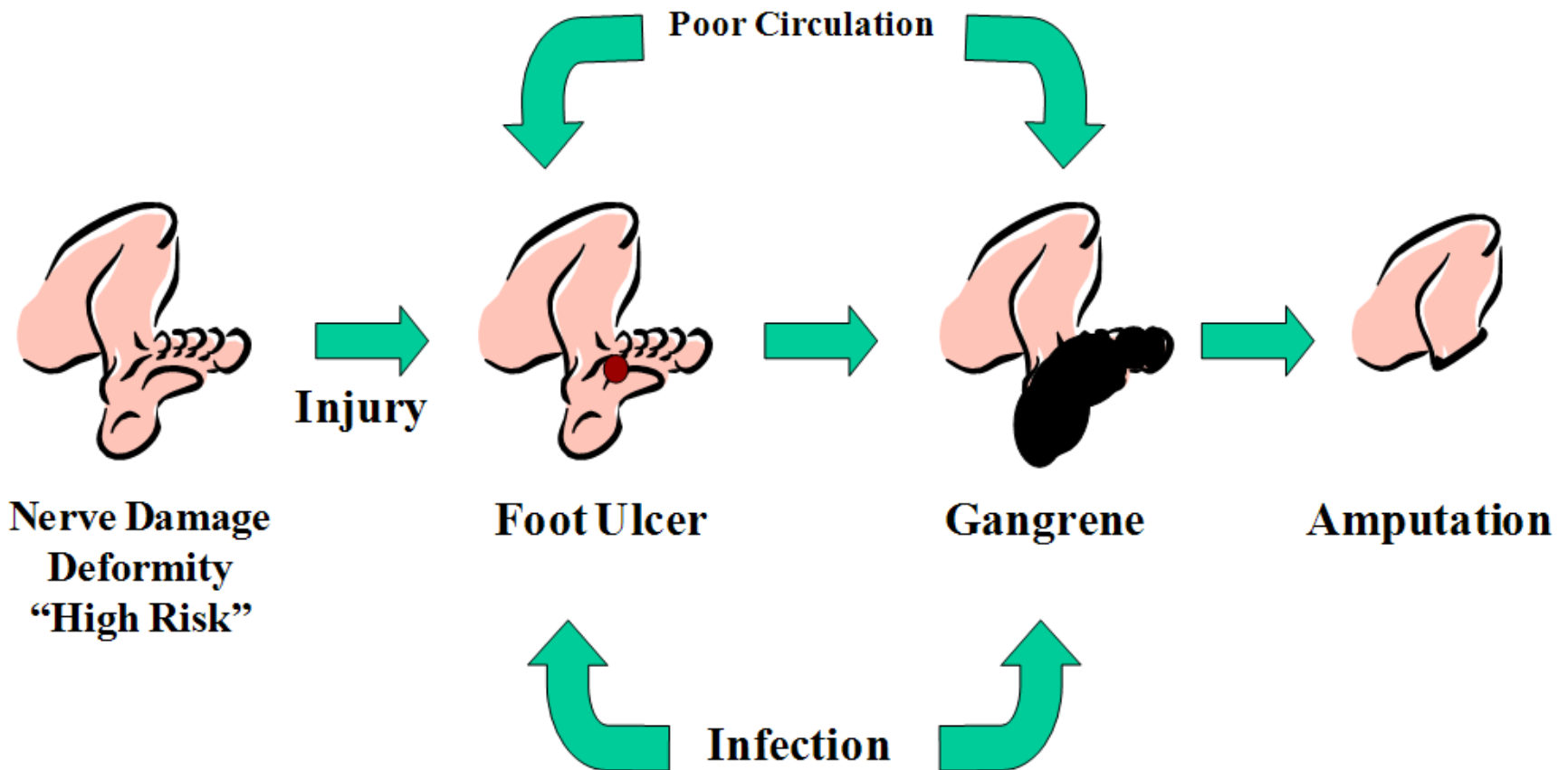
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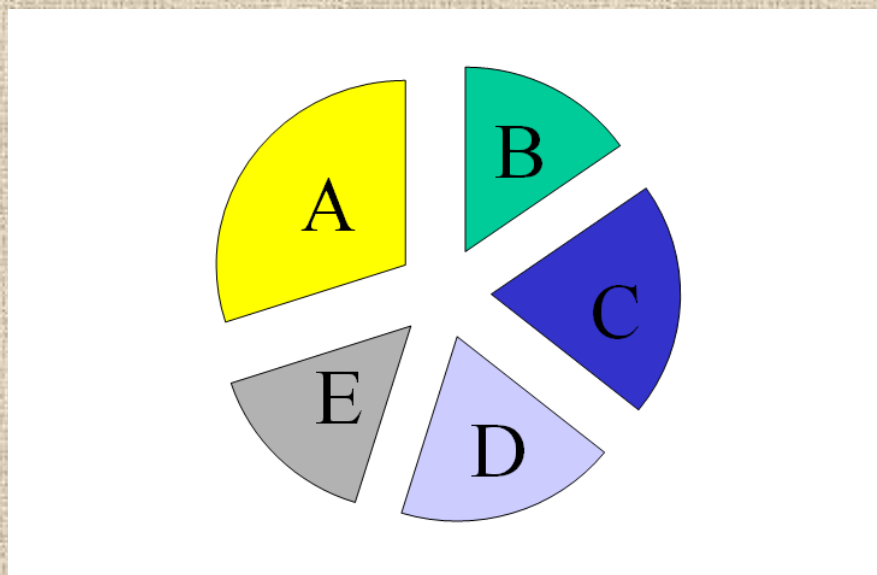
# Pathways to Diabetic Limb Amputation: A Basis for Prevention





# Component Causes Present in Causal Pathways Leading to Foot Ulcers in Persons with Diabetes

$A+B+C \rightarrow \text{Ulcer}$



Component Cause	(%)
Neuropathy	78
Minor Trauma	77
Deformity	63
Edema	37
Callus	30
Infection	1
Ischemia	35

# Strategies to Prevent or Delay Development of Common Component Causes of Foot Ulceration and Amputation

Component Cause	Intervention Strategy
Neuropathy	Good glycemic control, education on risk for foot injury
Minor Trauma	Clear walking space, nightlights, protective footwear
Deformity	Accommodative footwear, education to support footwear
Edema	Footwear accommodative to of edema Reduce edema: pharmacologically, compression stockings
Callus	Regular removal of callus Footwear that minimizes callus development
Infection	Education on reporting problems early
Ischemia	Reduce risk for atherosclerosis (hypertension, and lipid control, smoking cessation). Revascularize for critical ischemia

# Association of Patient Education and Amputation Prevention

<b>Program</b>	<b>Reduction in LEA Rate</b>	
Veterans, Tucson USA	70%	Malone, 1989
Kisa, Sweden	80%	Larrson, 1995
Kings College, London	44%	Edmonds, 1999
Geneva, SZ	85%	Assal, 1993
Madrid, Spain	50%	Calle-Pascual, 2001



# Evidence-Based Education and Treatment Objectives for All Patients with Diabetes

## *Low-Risk Feet*

- Control glucose
- Control blood pressure
- Control lipids
- Smoking cessation

Dyck, 1999; Moss 1992;  
Moss 1999; Boyko 1999;  
Goldberg, 1998; Pyorala,  
1997; UKPDS, 1998 Haire-  
Joshu, 1999

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# Evidenced-Based Footcare Educational Objectives for Patients with Diabetes

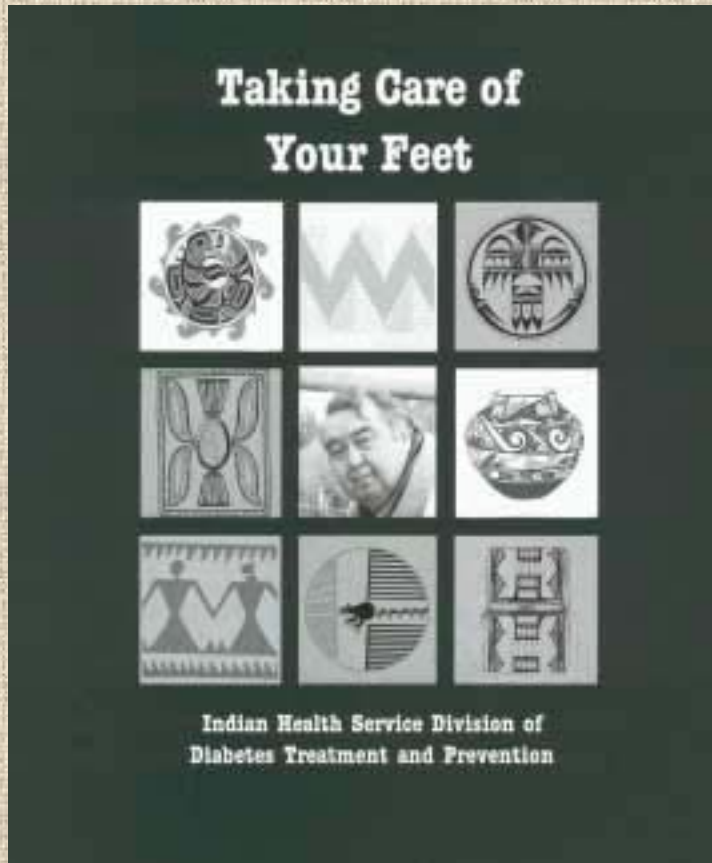
## *High-Risk Feet*



- Daily washing and inspection
- Clear walking area of dangerous objects
- Appropriate footwear (selection, fitting, and use)
- Use slippers indoors – no bare feet
- Proper Nail and Callus Care (no bathroom surgery)
- Avoid Extreme Temperatures
- Avoid Soaking
- Report Problems Promptly (infections, ulcers, cuts that do not heal)

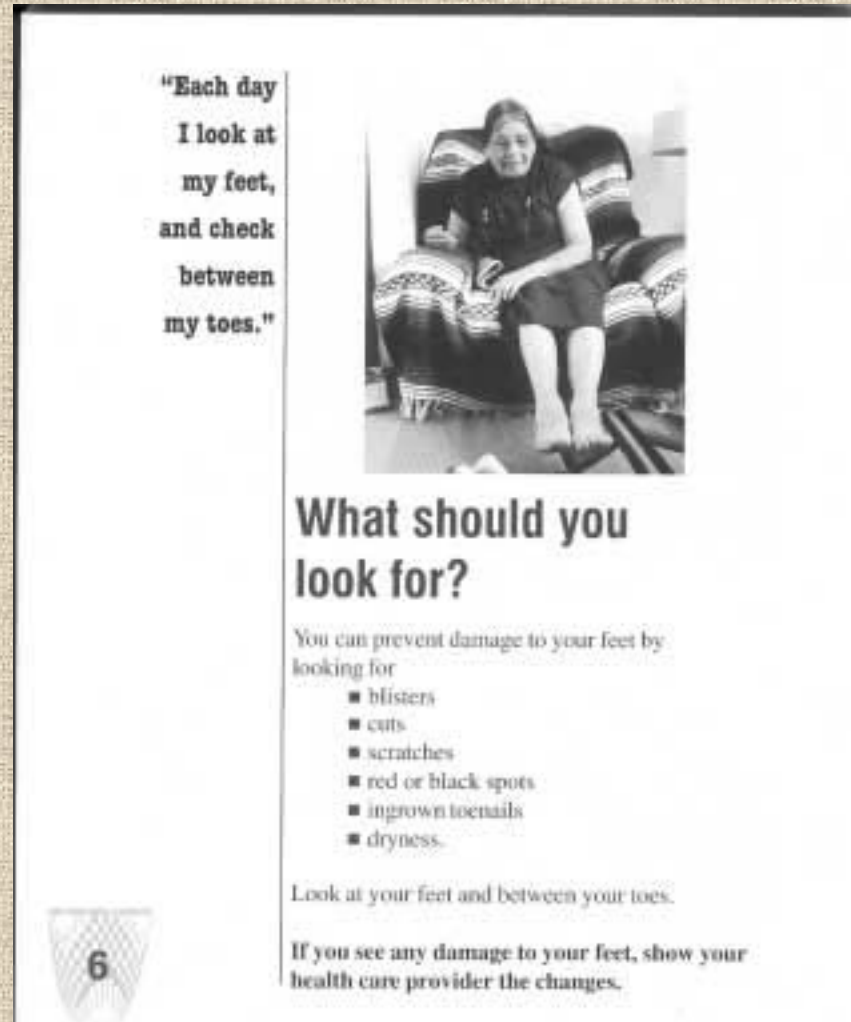
# IHS Patient Education Materials on Footcare

## Pretested for learner comprehension



Hosey, Diabetes Educ 1990;16:407-414

<http://www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/Diabetes/RESOURCES/Catalog/rde/index.cfm?module=catalog>



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# Foot Wear and Prevention of Foot Lesions

- Reduced Peak Planter Pressures > 50%
- Reduced callus formation > 30%
- Ulcer recurrence rates reduced > 50%
- LEA rates reduced > 70%

Viswanathan Diabetes Care 2004;27:474-477

Chanteleau, Diabet Med 1994;11:114-6

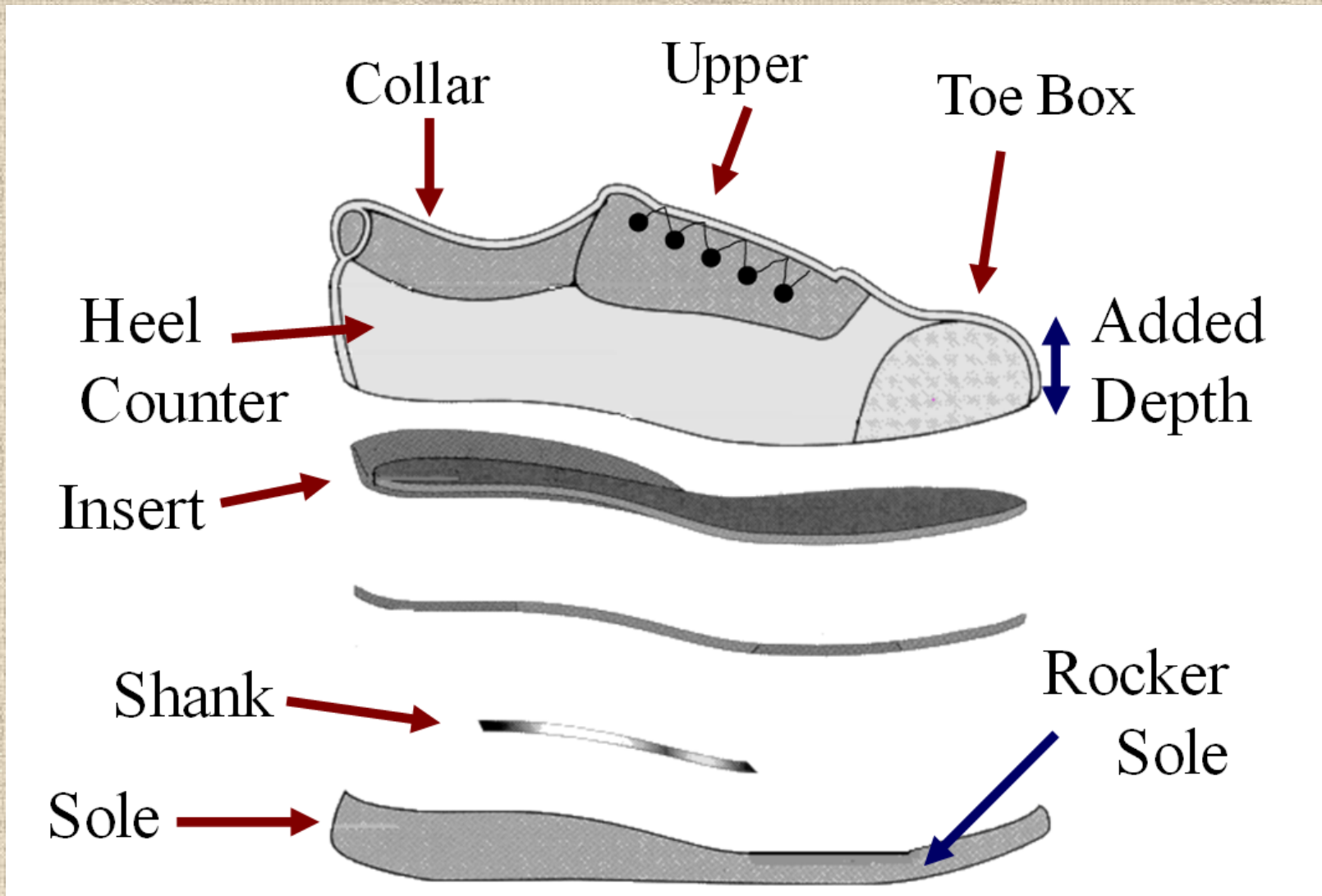
Ashry, J Foot Ankle Surg 1997;36:268-71

Edmonds, Q J Med 1986;60:763-71

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# Footwear Anatomy 101



# Footwear Selection

- **Normal feet: Standard shoes**
- **Insensate feet : Quality walking shoe or added depth shoe**
  - **Adjustable upper**
  - **Firm heel counter**
  - **Padded insert and collar**
  - **Broad sole with nominal lift**
- **Insensate feet + Minor deformity : Added depth shoe + custom insert**
- **Major Deformities: Custom molded shoes**





# Custom-Molded Inserts and Extra-Depth Shoes



# Fitting Shoes

- Select shoes that match the shape of the foot
- Measure both feet while standing
- Fit while wearing standard socks
- Fit largest foot
- 1 cm length between longest toe and shoe tip

# Footwear Precautions

- Break-in:
  - Start ½-hr on first day
  - Then ↑ by ½-hr increments per day
  - Inspect for redness after wearing
- Change shoes 1–2 x daily
- Check for foreign bodies
- Replace when worn out





# Foot Wear for People With Diabetes



## Here are Some Tips for Buying New Shoes to Help You Protect Your Feet?

- Buy shoes in the afternoon. Most people's feet will be swollen by the afternoon.
- Tell the salesperson you have diabetes.
- Have the shoe salesperson measure both feet.
- Test the shoe fit by wearing them for at least 5 minutes in the store.
- If shoes hurt when you try them on, do not buy them.
- Break in new shoes by wearing them for 1-2 hours at a time for the first few days.
- Never wear new shoes all day.
- Check your feet for redness or irritation. If the shoes are causing redness or irritation, return them as soon as possible.

# Medicare Therapeutic Footwear Benefit

## Three Steps:

1. Physician certification for therapeutic footwear (MD, DO)
2. Footwear prescription (usually a Podiatrist)
3. Fitting and dispensing (usually a Pedorthist)

Sugarman, Diabetes Care  
1998:777-81.

Wooldridge. Am J Public Health  
1996::935-8

The image shows two forms side-by-side. The top form is titled "Statement of Certifying Physician for Therapeutic Footwear" and includes fields for Patient Name, HIC #, and Address. It contains four numbered statements for certification, with checkboxes for various conditions like diabetes, foot ulcers, and neuropathy. Below the statements is a section for "Certifying Physician Information" with fields for Signature, Date, Name, DEA #, Physician ID#, and Medical Provider #. The bottom form is titled "Prescription Form for Therapeutic Footwear" and includes fields for Patient Name, HIC #, and Address. It has a "Diagnosis" field, a "Change to be effected" field, and an "Additional relevant information" field. Below these is a section for "Prescribing Physician Information" with fields for Signature, Date, Name, DEA #, Physician ID#, and Medical Provider #.

# Routine Podiatry Care for People with Diabetes

*Associated with:*

*Increased self-foot-care knowledge and 30% reduction in callus* Ronnema *Diabetes Care*, 1997;20:1833-1837

*54% reduction in ulceration rates in case control study of 91 diabetic patients with a history of foot ulcers*

*Plank, Diabetes Care* 2003;26:1691-1695

*75% reduction in LEA rates in Medicare patients with diabetes and high-risk feet who received palliate podiatry foot care services* Sowell, *J Am Podiatr Med Assoc* 1999;89:312-7



# Principles of Podiatry Care for People with Diabetes

- Lubricate Skin
- Trim Nails
- Reduce Callus

Suico, 1998; Murray, 1996; Murray, 1996

# Lubricate Dry Skin

- Autonomic neuropathy contributes to dry skin
- Instructed Patients to apply a moisturizing lotion daily
- Oil or water based lotions are a matter of patient preference
- May need care giver to assist



# Lubricate Dry Skin





# Nail Trimming: Normal Nails

- Use nail nippers, strait or curved.
- Good lighting, comfortable position, safety glasses
- Stabilize the toe with one hand, cut with the other
- Start at one edge and follow the curve
- File any sharp edges with emery board



# Nail Trimming: Normal Nails





# Nail Trimming: Curved Nails

- Use nail nippers, strait
- Good lighting, comfortable position, safety glasses
- Start at one edge and follow the curve
- Avoid cutting into corners
- File any sharp edges with emery board





# Nail Trimming: Thick Mycotic

- Tend to be very brittle
- Can use nail nippers or dremel to trim off sharp edges
- Best to refer to a podiatrist or certified foot care nurse



# Callus Debridement

- Good lighting, gloves, alcohol swab, and #15 disposable scalpel
- Wipe with alcohol swab, callus tissue will turn white
- Shave or pare down callus gradually
- Palpate intermittently to feel when you are close to pliable “normal” tissue, then stop.



# Callus Debridement





# Principles of Wound Care

- Assessing foot wounds
- Classifying foot wounds
- Management of uncomplicated wounds
- Vascular assessment
- When to refer

# Assessing Foot Wounds

Begin by assessing the following criteria:

- Wound dimensions
- Quality of the wound bed and edges
- Surrounding erythema and cellulites
- Penetration to deep structures (fascia, tendon, bone, FB)
- Lower extremity blood flow
- Signs of systemic infection (Temperature, WBC)

# Standard Classification Foot Wounds

## University of Texas Wound Classification

Grade	Stage
0 Pre-ulcer	A No infection or ischemia
1 Superficial	B Infection
2 Soft Tissue	C Ischemia
3 Bone or Joint	D Infection and ischemia

Armstrong, Diabetes Care 1998; 21:855-859



# Management Principles Uncomplicated Wounds

- Clean and moist environment:
  - Wound debridment
  - Regular dressing changes
- Off loading
- Oral antibiotics directed by culture
- Monitoring of size
- Outpatient management appropriate
- May need to hospitalize for off loading
- Limited use of adjunctive healing agents
- Control glucose



# Dressing Principle

- Wet to dry saline gauze dressing daily is the main stay.
- Adsorbent compounds are useful for soupy wounds
- Hydrocolloid gels and occlusive dressings have a role in dry wounds.
- Enzymatic debridement may be useful to soften eschar

# Nutrition and Wound Healing

- Positive Nitrogen Balance for Anabolic State
- Vitamin C 500mg daily
- ZnSO<sub>4</sub> 220mg Daily × 10d then MVI with trace minerals QD

Heyman, J Wound Care. 2008;17:476-8, 480

Desneves, Clinical Nutrition, 2005 Dec;24:979-87



# Simple Wound: Debridement



# Management Principles Complicated Wounds

- Inpatient management appropriate initially
- Initial surgical wound debridement
- Vascular assessment and appropriate intervention
- Clean and moist environment:
  - Regular dressing changes
  - Consider negative pressure wound therapy
- Parental antibiotics directed by culture
- Off loading
- Monitoring of size
- Consider use of adjunctive healing agents

# Factors Associated with Diabetic Foot Wound Healing

Risk Factor	Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% CI)
Sex	1.14 (1.08, 1.20)
Age	1.01 (1.00, 1.01)
<i>Grade</i> *	<i>1.93 (1.82, 2.05)</i>
<i>Wound duration</i> *	<i>1.30 (1.27, 1.32)</i>
<i>Wound size</i> *	<i>1.32 (1.30, 1.34)</i>

\* P <0.0001

*Margolis, Diabetes Care 25:1835-1839, 2002*

***PATIENCE!***

***<25% ulcers healed at 12 weeks***

*Margolis Diabetes Care, 1999;22:692-695*



# Offloading with commercial healing shoes



Half-Shoes  
~\$50–80



Removable  
Cast Walkers  
~\$150–500



70% patients did not increase activity and used device only 28% of time 30% patients record more activity, but only use device 60 % of time

*Armstrong, Diabetes Care 26:2595-2597, 2003*

# Adjunctive Wound Healing Therapy

- All associated with higher and faster healing rates
  - Growth factors (~15–25%)
  - Skin grafts (~50%)
  - Hyper baric oxygen (~20%)
  - Electro-stimulation (?)
  - Maggot therapy (~50%)
- Dependant on adequate vascular supply and clean wound
- High cost and not always covered by insurance

Weiman, Diabetes Care 1998;21:822–7;Gentzkow Diabetes Care 199;19:350–4; Faglia, Diabetes Care. 1997;20:1207–8; Peters, Foot Ankle Surge 1998;37:396–400; Veves, Diabetes Care 2001;24:290–295, Kessler Diabetes Care 2003;26:2378–2382; Carravaggi Diabetes Care 26:2853–2859, 2003; Sherman Diabetes Care 26:446–451, 2003

# Adjunctive Wound Healing Therapy

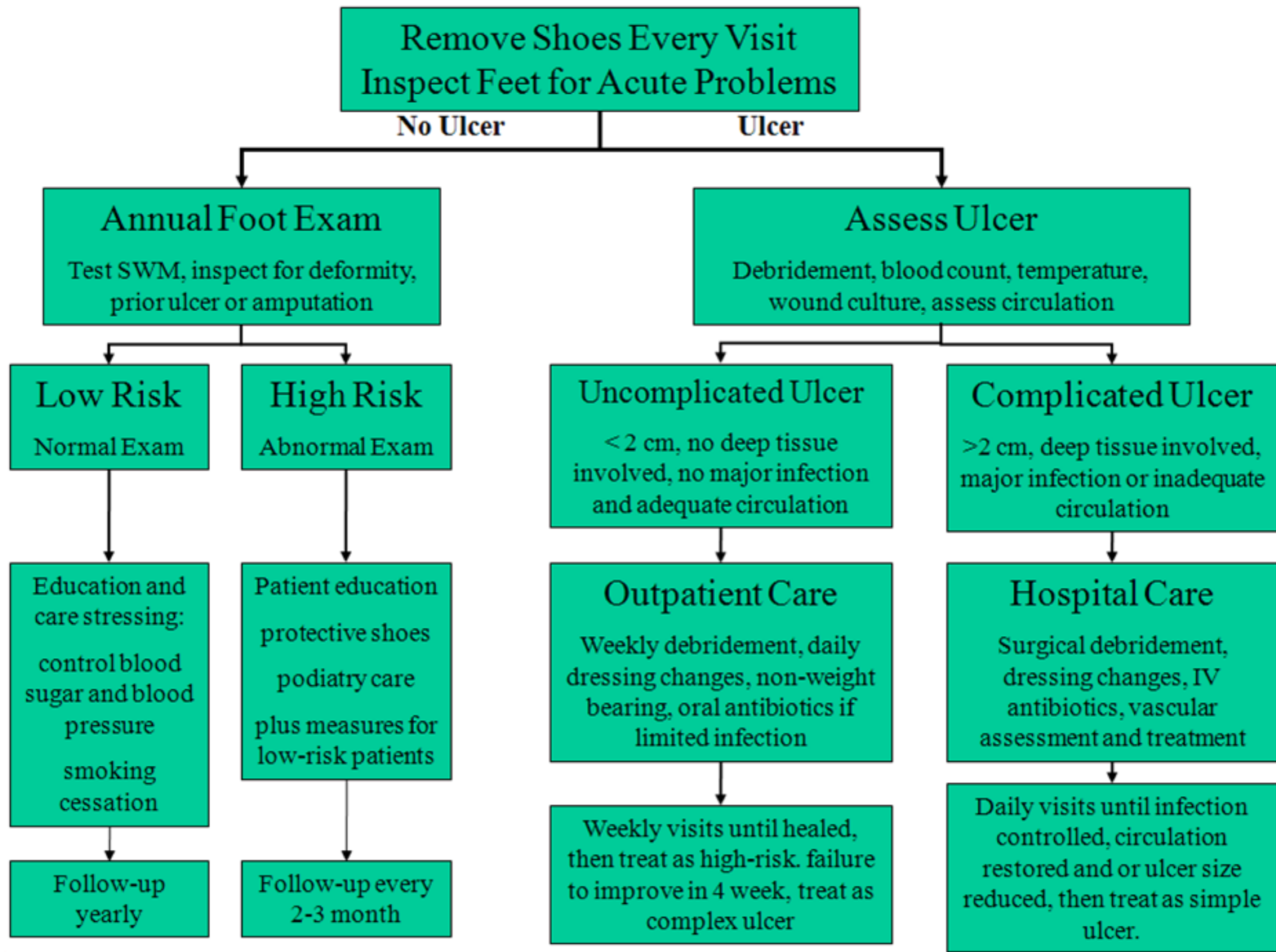
## A Rational Approach

- Ensure the basics first: clean wound, off loading, control infection, good nutrition, metabolic control, assess circulation.
- Monitor healing, if less than 50% reduction in size after 4 weeks, chances of healing < 10%. Consider adjunctive agents as resources permit. *Sheehan, Diabetes Care 2003;26:1879–1882; Margolis, Diabetes Care 26:1696–1700, 2003*
- Some adjunctive treatments require large capital expenditures. Resources may be better spent on a case manager that can improve all aspects of diabetic care.



# Criteria for Vascular Evaluation in the Diabetic Foot

- Ulcer with clinical signs of ischemia
- Nonhealing ulcer
- Rest pain
- Nocturnal pain
- Lifestyle limiting claudication

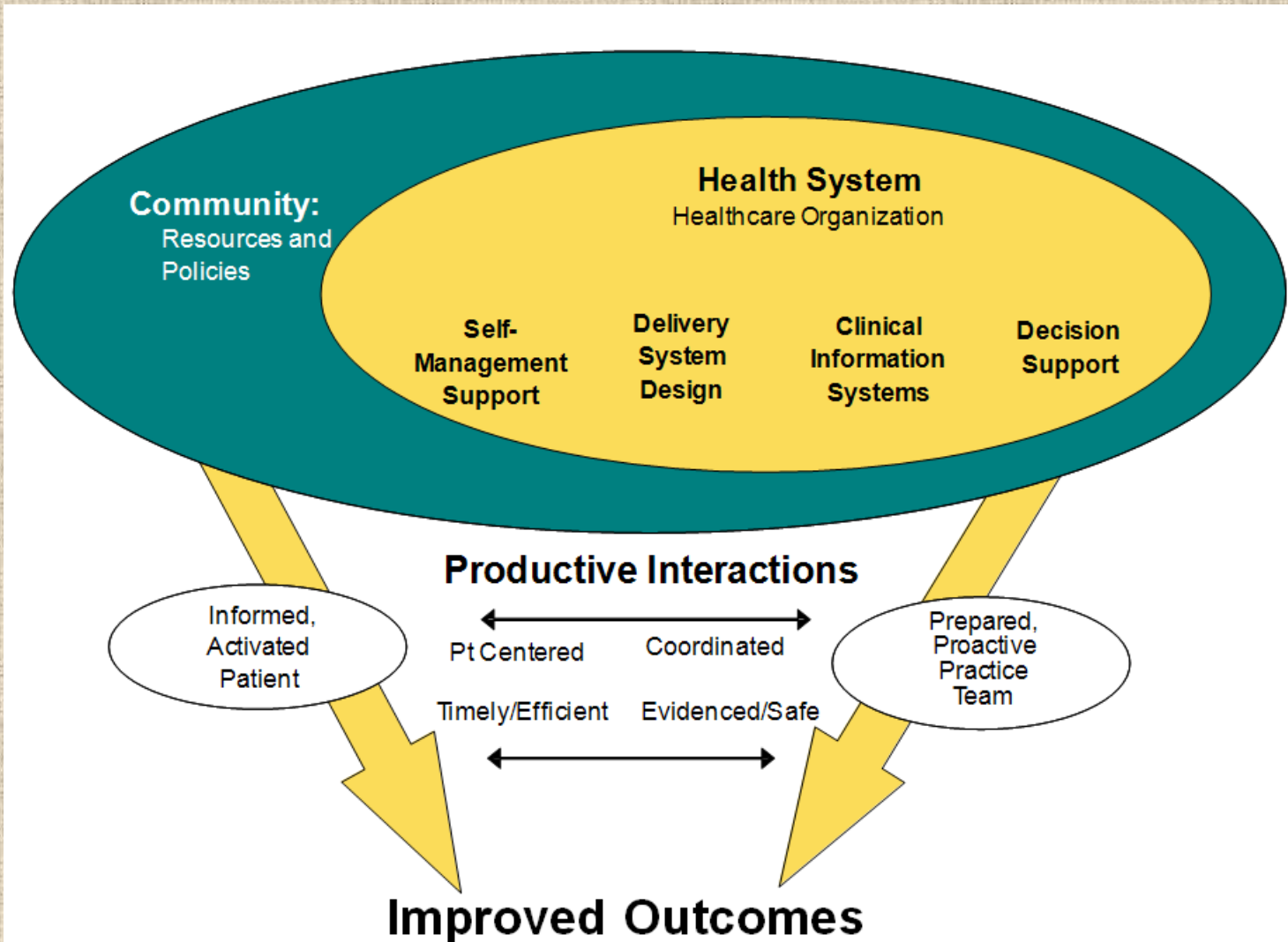


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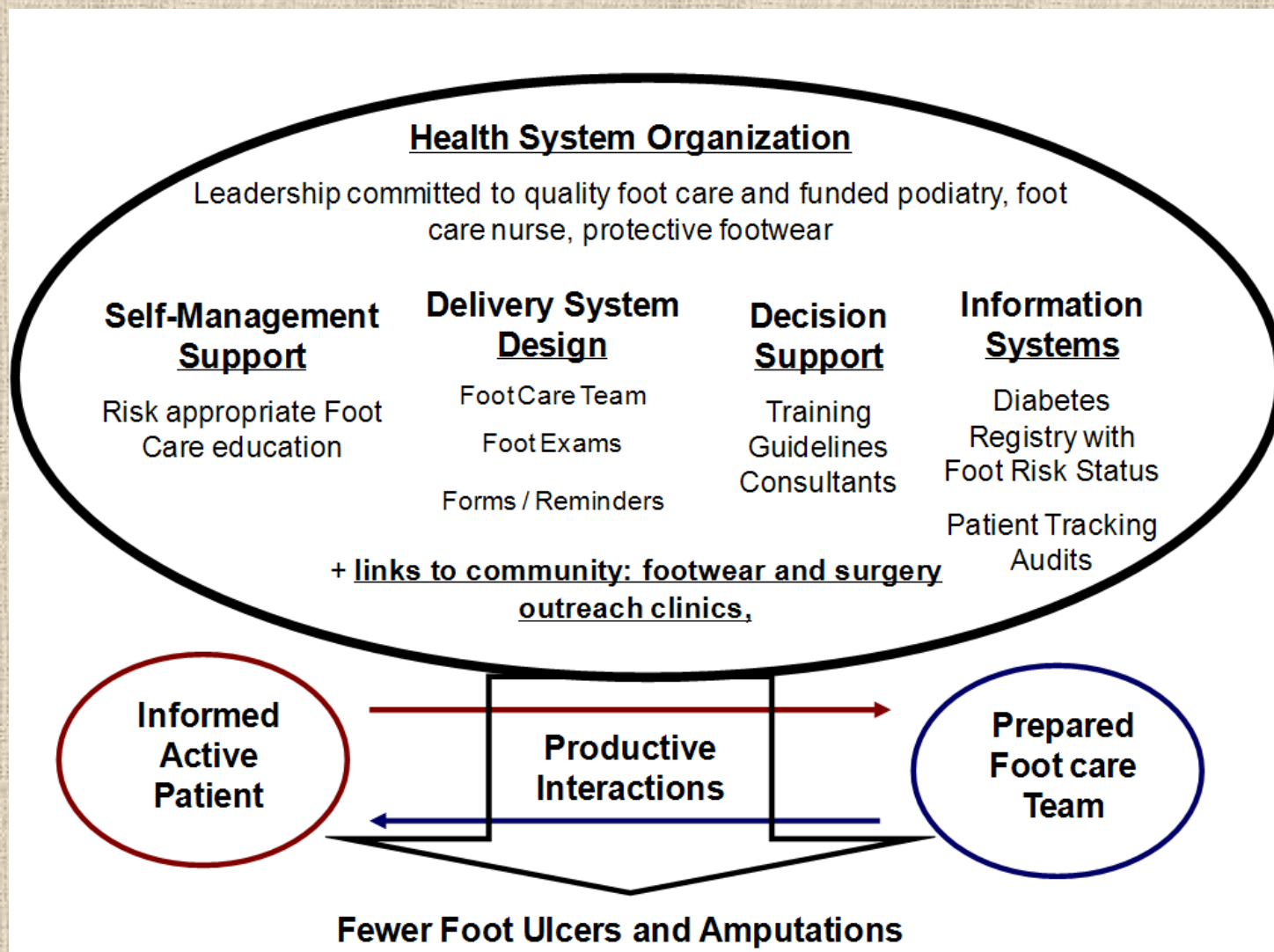
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# Improving Chronic Disease Care: The Chronic Care Model



# Chronic Care Model–Diabetic Foot Care Best Practice



# System Redesign: Foot Care Team

Physician/PCP

Nurse Educator

Registrar and Patient  
Scheduling

PHN



Podiatrist

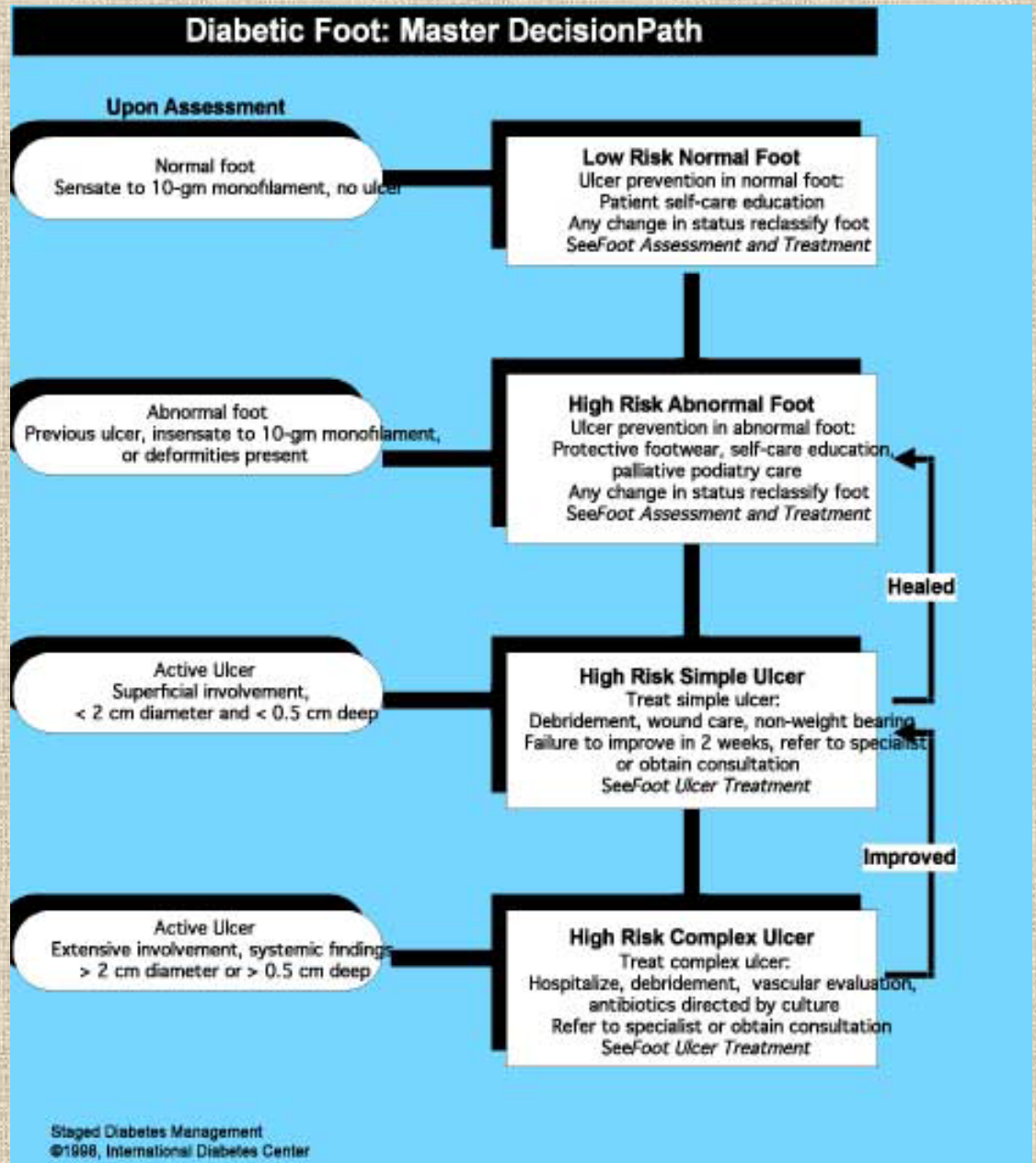
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Surgeon

Clinic Administration and  
Leadership



# Decision Support Foot Care Guidelines



# 1994–1996 System Redesign Foot Care Team

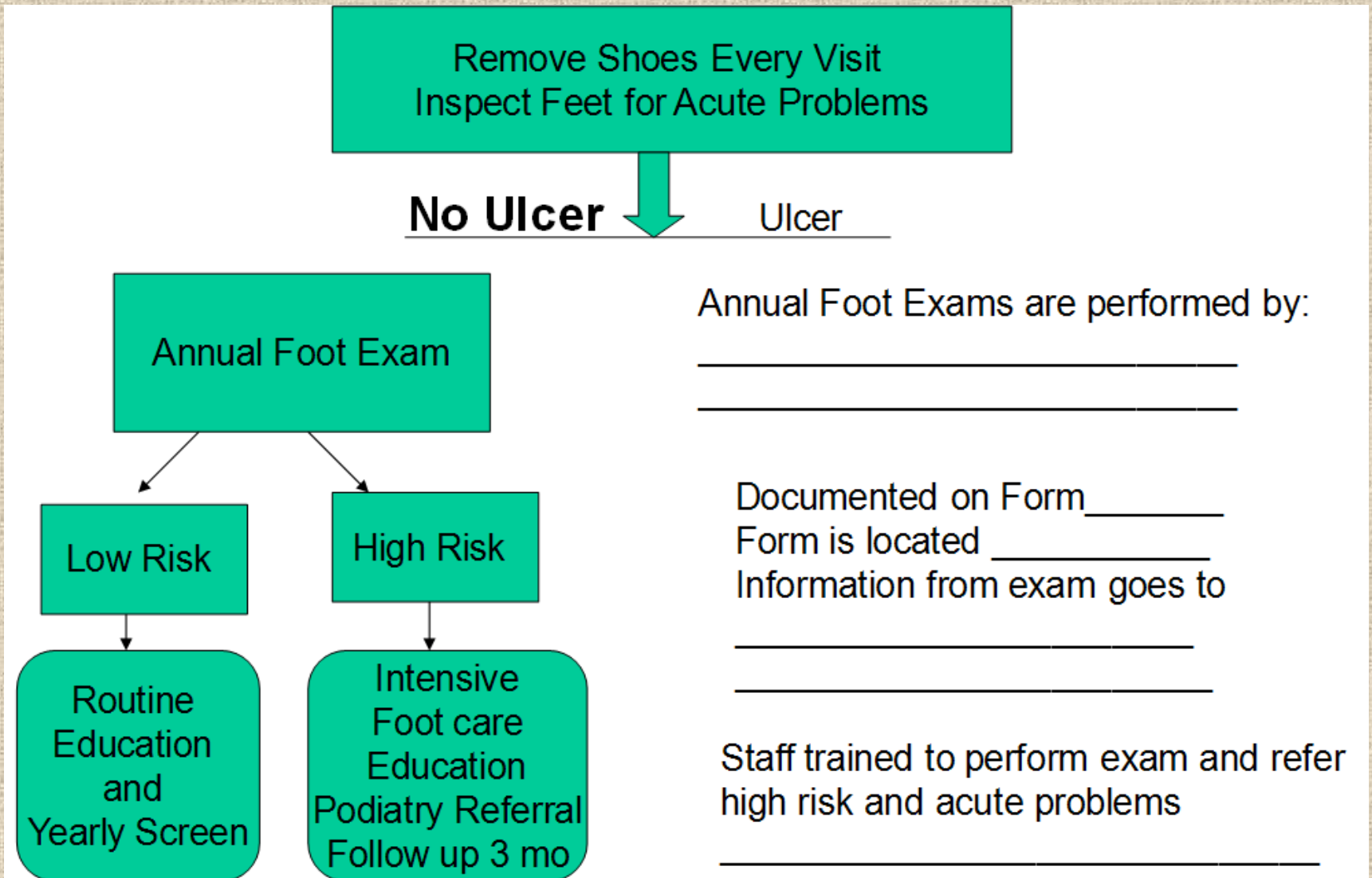
## Moving the Guideline to Practice

### Team Coordination

- Input from the team to customize guidelines
- Delineation of roles
- Documentation
- Training needs
- Measures for monitoring and evaluation



# Example of Customization Questions







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Templates Reminders New Note

**Template: OBJECTIVE**

OBJECTIVE:

Vitals:

PHYSICAL EXAM:

- PSYCH:
- NEURO:
- HEENT:
- NECK:
- RESPIRATORY:
- CV:
- SKIN:
- EXTREMITIES:
- ABDOMEN:
- REPRODUCTIVE:
- RECTAL:
- NOTE:

RECENT LAB RESULTS:

ANNUAL DIABETES FOOT EXAM:

Dorsalis pedis pulses 2+, normal sensation to 10g monofilament, no lesions, no deformities.

\*\*\*You must also document this exam on Wellness tab.\*\*\*

Significant findings:

tenia pedis

All None \* Indicates a Required Field Preview OK Cancel

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Patient Education Health Factors Exams Immunizations / Skin Tests

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07/25/2007	INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE	UNABLE			
01/22/2007	INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE	UNABLE			

**Exam Selection**

Code	Exams
35	ALCOHOL SCREENING
23	AUDIOMETRIC SCREENING
31	AUDITORY EVOKED POTENTIAL
30	DENTAL EXAM
36	DEPRESSION SCREENING
03	DIABETIC EYE EXAM
28	DIABETIC FOOT EXAM, COMPLETE
33	EYE EXAM - GENERAL
37	FALL RISK
32	FOOT EXAM - GENERAL
29	FOOT INSPECTION
08	HEART EXAM
34	INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE
05	NECK EXAM

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01/22/2007	INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE	UNABLE TO SCREEN	had black eye		

**Document an Exam**

Exam: DIABETIC FOOT EXAM, COMPLETE

Result: NORMAL/NEGATIVE

Comment: linea pedis

Provider: RITH-NAJARIAN,STEPHEN J MD

Current  
 Historical  
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04/15/2008					RTC VFT
04/15/2008					dilation caution
04/15/2008					ref error
07/13/2007				AL SET Testing often to t/o hypoglycemia	
07/13/2007				AL SET Add 15-20 minutes activity daily as tolerated	
07/13/2007				AL SET Healthy choices when not using meal replacement	
02/08/2007					GLAUCOMA
02/08/2007					REFRACTION
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12/28/2005	Medications-Information				
12/28/2005	Medications-Information				
12/21/2005	Medications-Information				

**Add Patient Education Event**

Education Topic:

Type of Training:  Individual  Group

Comprehension Level:

Length:  (min)

Content:

Provided By:

Status/Outcome:  Goal Set  Goal Met  Goal Not Met

Historical

Patient's Learning Health Factors:  Standard

**DIABETES CURRICULUM EDUCATION-FOOT CARE**

OUTCOME:  
The individual/family will understand the importance of foot care for people with diabetes.

STANDARD:  
FTC-1 State one or more reasons to check feet every day.  
FTC-2 Identify two or more risk factors for foot problems.  
FTC-3 List two or more daily self-care action to prevent foot problems.  
FTC-4 Describe how to cut toenails correctly.  
FTC-5 Describe two or more things to look for when choosing proper footwear.  
FTC-6 State two or more signs and symptoms of foot and skin infections.  
FTC-7 State the reason for routine foot exams at each clinic visit and yearly foot screening.  
FTC-8 Demonstrate a personal foot exam and state a personal foot care plan.  
FTC-9M Behavior goal met (follow-up)  
FTC-9NM Behavior goal unmet (follow-up)

Font Size:

Notifications Cover Sheet Orders POV/Problem List Medications Notes Labs Services **Wellness** Triage Health Summary D/C Summ Consults Suicide Form

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# System Redesign: Foot Care Case Manager





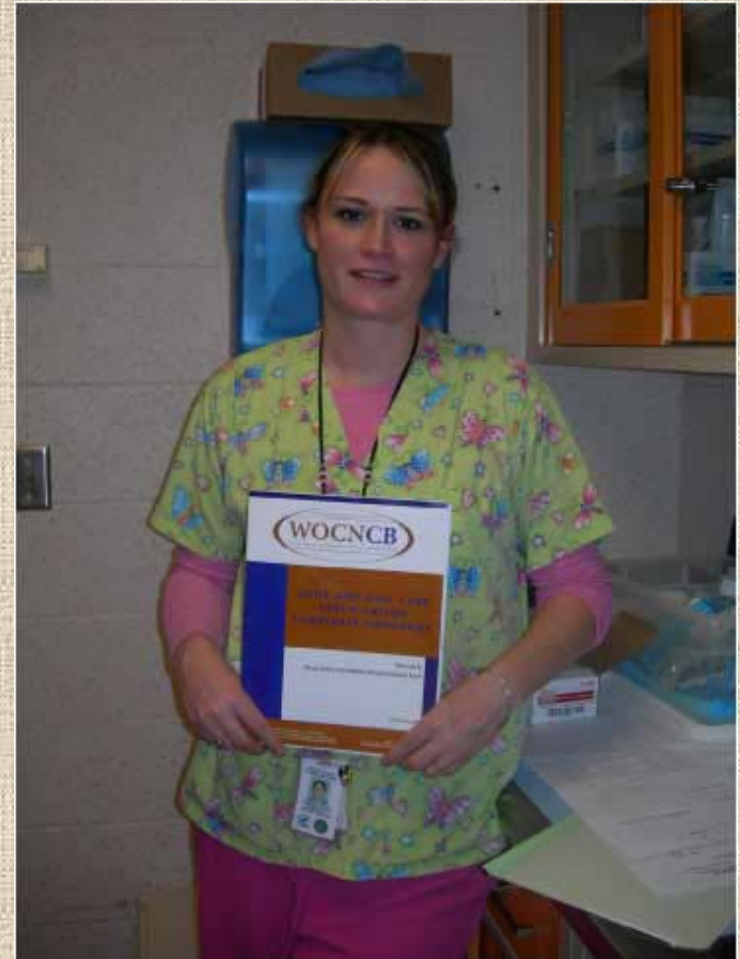
# Foot and Nail Care Certification Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nurses Certification Board

## Exam Eligibility Requirements

- Current RN license, and either #2 or #3:
- Completion of formal foot and nail program including five hours didactic; three hours of clinical practice with direct foot and nail care; or
- Completion of experiential pathway including five hours CE, plus eight hours of clinical practice (under supervision of expert).

**Training** : <http://www.wocncb.org/become-certified/foot-and-nail/education-courses.php>

**Exam**: <http://www.wocncb.org/become-certified/foot-and-nail/eligibility.php>



# *Information Technology* Electronic Diabetes Registry





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File View Tools Window Help Quick Patient Search:

**Panel List** | **Flag List**

New Open Delete Repopulate Modify Share Copy

Hide (F3) Show (F4) Refresh Show: Active Flags

Panel Name	Panel Description	# of Pts	Last Updated	Flag Date	Patient Name	HRN	DOB	Flag Type
My DM Pts 2007-08		195	Feb 08, 2008 08:30	Apr 05, 2008	BOBOLINK,MARY ANN	4464	Apr 30, 1960	EMERGENCY ROOM VISIT

**IHS iCare - My DM Patients - Panel Definition**

Definition | Layout | Sharing | Performance Layout | Preview | Auto Repopulate Options

**\*Panel Name:** My DM Patients

**Panel Description:** Patients with Dx DM seen in past yr

**Population Search Options:**

- No Predefined Population Search - Add Patients manually
- My Patients
- Patients Assigned to
- Scheduled Appts
- QMan Template
- RPMS Register
- Ad Hoc Search

**Filter Options:** Select at least one filter

Visit Date: 04/07/2007 to 04/07/2008

Visit Provider: RITH-NAJARIAN,STEPHEN J MD

Gender:

Age:

Community:  Edit

Diagnosis: Diabetes Edit

Panel:  Edit

\* indicates required field

Total Rows: 59

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			May 01, 1926	EMER ROOM
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IHS iCare - My DM Patients - Panel View

IHS iCare - My DM Patients - Panel Definition

Definition | Layout | Sharing | **Performance Layout** | Preview | Auto Repopulate Options

Current National Performance Year: 2007

Columns to display: Grayed columns are required

DENTAL: Sealants	Add >	PATIENT: Patient Name	Up
DENTAL: Topical Fluoride-# Pts	< Remove	PATIENT: HRN	Down
DENTAL: Top Fluoride-# Apps		PATIENT: Age	
DIABETES: Documented A1c <sup>®</sup>		DIABETES: Foot Exam	
DIABETES: Ideal Glycemic Control <7		PATIENT: Next Appt Clinic	
DIABETES: Nephropathy Assessed <sup>™</sup>		PATIENT: Next Appt Provider	
DIABETES: BP Assessed		DIABETES: Diabetes Dx Ever <sup>®</sup>	
DIABETES: Comprehensive Care		DIABETES: Poor Glycemic Cont >9.5	
DIABETES: Influenza Vaccine		DIABETES: Controlled BP <130/80	
DIABETES: Pneumovax Vaccine Ever		DIABETES: LDL Assessed	
IMMUNIZATIONS: Active IMM 19-35 mos <sup>****</sup>		DIABETES: Retinopathy (All Sites)	
IMMUNIZATIONS: Influenza 65+		DIABETES: Depression Screening	
IMMUNIZATIONS: Pneumovax Ever 65+			

Columns to sort:

PATIENT: Age	Add >	DIABETES: Foot Exam ASC	Up
PATIENT: HRN	< Remove		Down
PATIENT: Next Appt Clinic			
PATIENT: Next Appt Provider			
PATIENT: Patient Name			
DIABETES: Controlled BP <130/80			
DIABETES: Diabetes Dx Ever <sup>®</sup>			
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Switch Sort Direction

OK Cancel

**My DM Patients**

Patients with Dx DM seen in past yr

Total Patients = 201

Patient List Last Updated: Apr 07, 2008 01:05 PM

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Patient List **Natl Measures** Natl Aggregated

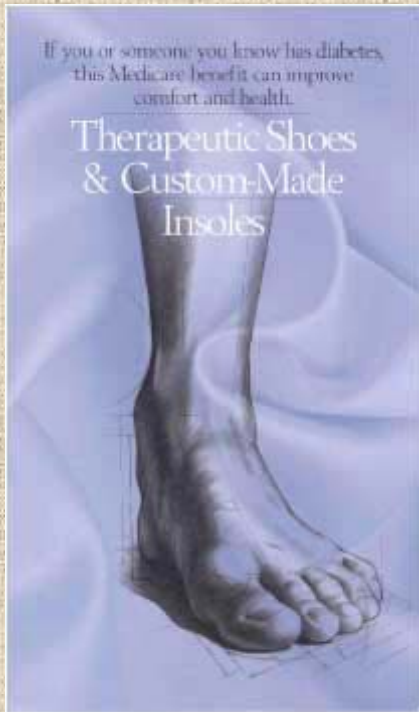
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				63 YRS	NO			YES	NO	NO	NO
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				73 YRS	NO			YES	NO	YES	YES
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				54 YRS	YES			YES	YES	NO	NO
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				56 YRS	YES			YES	YES	NO	YES
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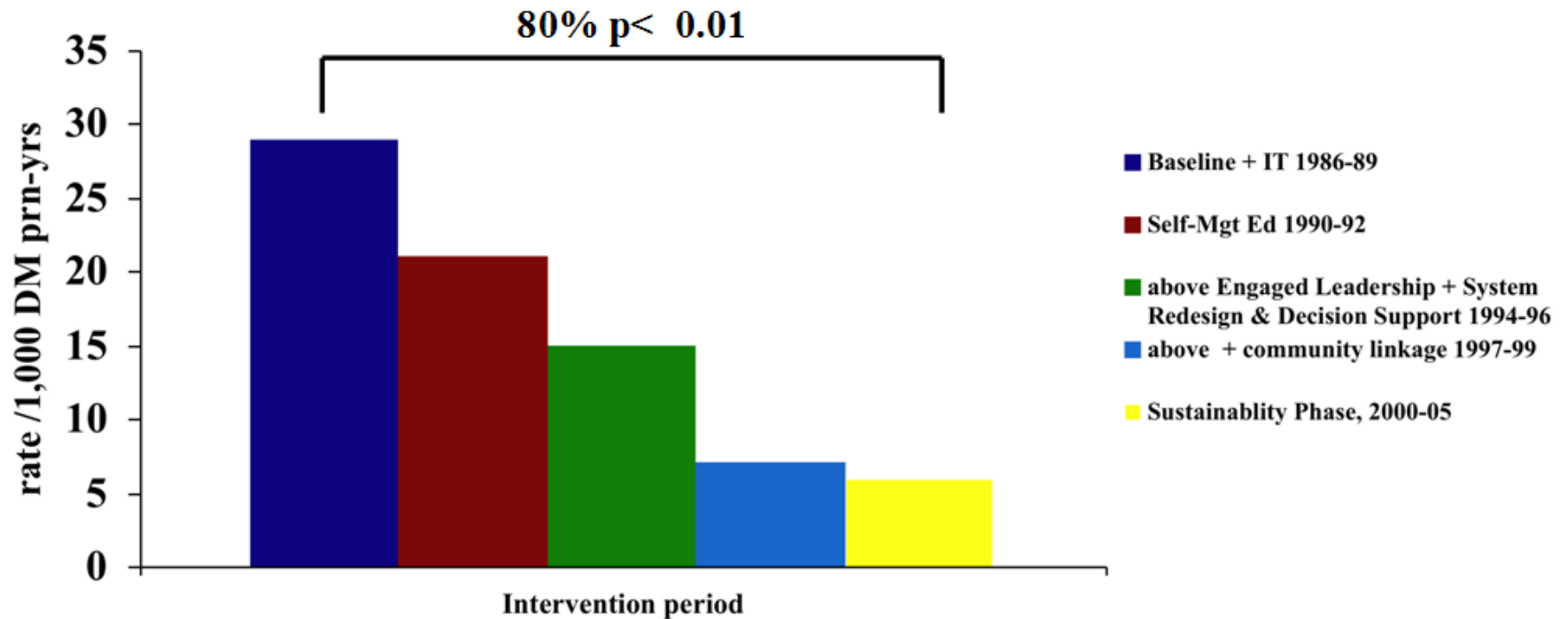
# Community Linkages: Referrals for Therapeutic Footwear



# Community Linkage: Wound Care Outreach Clinic



## Average Annual Incidence Lower Extremity Amputations (LEA) among Diabetic Patients according to Chronic Care Model Intervention Period in an Indian Health Service Primary Care Setting



1986-1996: J Fam Pract 1998;47:128-132

1997-1999: Diabetes Care 2000;23:1445-46

2000-2005: Bemidji Area IHS Diabetes Program; CCM Interventions: Lancet 2005;366:1676-7



# Stepped Approach for IHS “Best Practice” for Diabetic Foot Care

## Comprehensive Program

Includes all of the previous elements plus ...

- footcare team
- Wound healing
- Outreach services
- track outcomes

## Intermediate Program

Includes all of the previous elements plus...

- Footcare CPGs
- Podiatry and Footwear available
- Field Health trained
- Track care process

## Basic Program

- DM Team adopts standards of care
- DM Registry
- Annual Foot screening
- Risk Appropriate Foot Education
- Podiatry, footwear & field health referrals
- Annual Diabetes Audit

## Is Your Program Ready?

Do we have the following items in place?

- Perceived need by providers & community
- Administrative Support for CQI
- Functional IT support
- Access to Footcare services
- Functional Diabetes team

# Selected Internet Resources for Diabetic Foot Care

- IHS Best Practices–Foot Care

[http://www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/Diabetes/HomeDocs/Tools/BestPractices/bp06\\_FootCare.pdf](http://www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/Diabetes/HomeDocs/Tools/BestPractices/bp06_FootCare.pdf)

- Feet Can Last a Lifetime–NIH

<http://www.ndep.nih.gov/resources/feet/index.htm>

- Lower Extremity Amputation Prevention Program (LEAP)–HRSA

<http://bphc.hrsa.gov/leap/default.html>