Health PEI

Provincial Preventative Diabetes Foot Care Program

FAQ for Providers

WHAT IS INCLUDED?

This is a free foot care service that includes:

- Foot and nail assessments by a foot care nurse
- Nail care, callus care and corn care
- Education and promotion of self-care or caregiver provided care
- Education to prevent common foot issues
- Professional advice on when medical attention outside the ability of the program is needed

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED?

- This is not a wound care clinic. Foot care nurses cannot provide any care below the surface of the skin.
 - No complicated ingrown toenails
 - No wounds
 - No infections
- This is not a Diabetes Education Centre.
- There are no physiotherapy or fall prevention services.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

To be considered for the program clients must:

- be diagnosed with diabetes
- be able to travel to the clinic site
- be able to get into the foot care chair independently
- have a moderate, high, or stable high risk based on the <u>Provincial Diabetes Foot Screen</u> performed by a referring provider
- based on client's self-report, have a lack of sufficient insurance coverage for individuals with moderate risk (less than 80% of footcare needs - \$50/appointment at eight appointments a year)
 - o Note: high and stable high risk will be seen regardless of insurance status

A health care professional is required to make the referral to the program.



WHAT IS THE PROVINCIAL DIABETIC FOOT SCREEN?

This is a tool to be completed to identify foot risk level.

If you are unfamiliar with the screening tool, visit https://src.healthpei.ca/diabetic-foot or refer to the HPEI Diabetic Foot Screening Clinical Practice Guidelines on the PDMS.

HOW DO I SEND A REFERRAL?

Using CHR

Please send an internal referral via the CHR.

- Reason for Referral: Consultation
- Service Provider: Provincial Diabetes Foot Care
- Include the Preventative Diabetes Foot Care Referral
- Include a completed <u>Provincial Diabetes Foot Screen</u>

Via Fax

Fax the Provincial Preventative Diabetes Foot Care Program Referral Form and the <u>Provincial</u> Diabetes Foot Screen to 1-833-652-1546.

Note: Referrals are triaged centrally and booked at the appropriate clinic. Providers will be notified if their patient's status in the program changes. Providers can also see updates through the CHR.

WHERE IS THE PROGRAM OFFERED?

Foot Care Nurses work out of these health centers across the province. They do not travel to people's homes.

Montague Health Centre

407 MacIntyre Avenue Montague, PE

Polyclinic

199 Grafton Street Charlottetown, PE

Harbourside Health Centre

243 Heather Moyse Drive Summerside, PE

Tignish Health Centre

254 Phillip St Tignish, PE

O'Leary Health Centre

14 MacKinnon Drive O'Leary, PE



WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

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CHR Inbox Provincial Diabetes Foot Care