

Medicare's Therapeutic Shoe Bill

Medicare (Part B) covers diabetic footwear and inserts for qualifying individuals with diabetes. The goal of this benefit is that, with protective footwear, people in these high-risk categories may prevent foot complications and maintain healthy feet for a lifetime. Patients may receive one (1) pair of off-the-shelf depth shoes and three (3) pair of multi-density inserts every calendar year.

What is a Certified Pedorthist?

Medicare prefers highly qualified individuals to fit and dispense footwear to the individuals who qualify and whose physicians have prescribed this very valuable benefit. Medicare specifically recognizes Certified Pedorthists as being qualified. As the footwear specialist on the health care team, a Certified Pedorthist (C Ped) works toward maintenance of healthy feet and the prevention of damage due to diabetic complications.

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The Diabetic Shoppe is committed to giving patients with diabetes quality products and professional service. That is why our Certified Pedorthists will see to all your footwear needs. The C Peds from the Diabetic Shoppe have attended school for pedorthic training, passed national examinations, and must attend continuing education in order to maintain their certification.

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DIABETES AND YOUR FEET

Diabetes is a serious disease affecting sixteen million Americans and increasing annually. Many of those with diabetes will develop serious foot problems. A majority of the problems people face are associated with neuropathy and poor circulation due to high blood glucose levels.

The following are some steps that can be taken to reduce the risk of serious complications.

STEPS TO HEALTHY FEET

1. KEEP BLOOD GLUCOSE LEVELS IN CONTROL. Proper glucose control helps to prevent nerve damage and poor circulation that over time can lead to foot related problems. Proper glucose control is achieved by following your meal plan, exercising regularly, and following our medication and monitoring guidelines set by your health care provider.

2. SEE YOUR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER REGULARLY. Changes in foot conditions can begin gradually and go unnoticed by people with diabetes. By seeing your health care provider every 3-6 months you can better monitor your diabetes and foot care and make any changes that are needed.

3. PRACTICE GOOD FOOT CARE. Check your feet daily looking for cuts, blisters, calluses, and any changes in your feet. Notify your physician if any sore is detected on your feet. Since poorly fitting shoes are a source of most minor foot problems, it is very important to wear proper fitting shoes.