

National Diabetes Foot Care Audit: are services providing good quality foot care?



Report at a glance 2014–2017

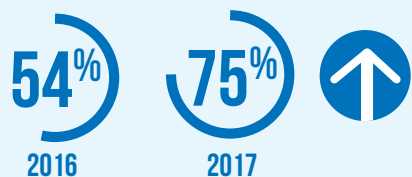
The [National Diabetes Foot Care Audit](#) measures the quality of specialist foot care provided to people with diabetes. The information in the audit is collected and submitted by foot care services in England and Wales.

The results (of respondents to the 2014–2017 audit)

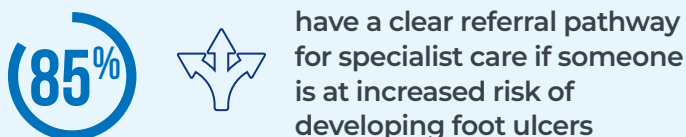
This report includes information on over **22,000** CASES OF FOOT ULCERS IN PEOPLE WITH DIABETES

ENCOURAGING

COMMISSIONERS RESPONDING TO SURVEY



REFERRAL PATHWAY



REFERRAL TIME TO SPECIALIST FOOT CARE SERVICES



IMPROVEMENT NEEDED

COMMISSIONERS PROVIDING TRAINING



DELAY IN FIRST EXPERT ASSESSMENT



ULCER FREE AFTER 24 WEEKS



WE SAY

- The longer someone has to wait for an assessment, the more severe the ulcer will be. So all people with diabetes who develop foot ulcers must be referred quickly for an assessment.
- There are big differences in outcomes between services. Finding out why will be an important part of improving foot care for people with diabetes.

FOR MORE INFORMATION on the National Diabetes Foot Care Audit 2014–2017 please download the [summary report](#), which also includes recommendations about how people with diabetes can look after their feet. Visit the NHS Digital website to see the [full report](#) and the results for [your local service](#).