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Tēnā koe William

Official Information Request- OIA 14059 Diabetic Foot Clinic

On 22 December 2021, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

My name is William and I am a medical student currently conducting research into diabetic foot care under the supervision of Dr Ibrahim Al-Busaidi, a general-practice registrar. One of the projects we are currently working on is a stocktake of diabetic foot services within each DHB. It would be greatly helpful to us if you would be able to fill in the excel sheet which is attached below.

Whanganui District Health Boards response:

Please refer to attached spreadsheet

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz

Ngā mihi



Russell Simpson
Kaihautū – Chief Executive
Whanganui District Health Board

Diabetic Foot Services Available at YOUR DHB	Is this service available/funded in your DHB? (Yes or No)	If this service is funded, for each foot risk 'category' how many sessions are funded per year per patient?	Who would qualify for each of the funded services based on NZSSD referral pathway for diabetic foot?	Who is able to refer? (e.g., GPs, community podiatrists, emergency departments, inpatient wards, diabetes nurse educators, outpatient clinics)	If available, what is the number of podiatrists employed/contracted in this position?	What is the total FTEs of diabetes podiatrists?	Of these, what is the number of Māori podiatrists and their total FTEs?	Are off-loading services provided in this setting (e.g., medical grade footwear, orthotics, casts, removable casts, etc)?	If a Multi Disciplinary Team Diabetes Foot Clinic (MDTDF) is available at your DHB, please list the staff (specialists) who are members of MDT (e.g., diabetes specialist, diabetes registrar, infectious diseases specialist, vascular surgeon, podiatrist, orthopaedic surgeon, etc).	How often are the MDT Diabetic Foot Clinics held (e.g., weekly, fortnightly, etc)?	Following limb revascularisation, where does physical rehabilitation occur (e.g., DHB hospital or out-of-DHB facility), and who is involved (e.g. physio, OT, etc)?	Following lower limb amputation, where does physical rehabilitation occur (e.g., DHB hospital or out-of-DHB facility, artificial limb services), and who is involved (e.g. physio, OT, etc)? <u>add as appropriate</u>	Whether this service is available or not in your DHB, are patients referred for this service/utilised by your DHB for diabetic foot ulcer treatment?
Does your DHB provide Kaupapa Māori foot protection services ? [This is defined as a podiatry service for Māori that embodies Māori values and principles]	No.							NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Funded Community podiatry services [based on NZSSD pathway for Diabetic Foot Screening and Assessment for people with MODERATE, IN-REMISSION or HIGH RISK foot provided with x number of sessions with a community podiatrist]	Yes	This service is funded based on clinical diagnosis of type 1 or type 2 diabetes and who meet the foot referral criteria for at risk and high risk foot disease. This is a bulk funded contract with no specified volumes within the contract	The DHB funded community podiatry service is available to people who have received a clinical diagnosis of type 1 or type 2 diabetes and who meet the foot referral criteria for at risk and high-risk foot disease. To be eligible a person must be enrolled as a patient within Whanganui Regional Health Network or National Hauora Coalition General Practices	General Practice	Community podiatry services for the region are subcontracted via the primary health organisations Whanganui Regional Health Network and National Hauora Coalition. The agreement is a bulk funded contract for services and not by FTE.	PHOs subcontract services based on demand with services at capacity for the Whanganui region	Ethnicity status is not known to be Maori		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
In-remission diabetic foot services [In-remission refers to a foot with previous amputation, previous ulceration or consolidated Charcot foot]	Refer to 2. above.								NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
High risk diabetic foot clinics [Accepts patients with active diabetic foot problems such as ulceration, infection, critical limb ischaemia, suspected Charcot foot]	Yes, there is a high risk clinic, not specific to diabetics.	NA	High risk foot patients	GPs, CNSs, etc.					NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Specialist Multidisciplinary Team Diabetic Foot (MDTDF) clinics [A clinic that occurs regularly and staffed by a combination of specialists such as a diabetes physician, podiatrist, vascular surgeon, orthopaedic surgeon, infectious disease physician, diabetes registrar, or orthotist, etc]	Refer to 2. above.	NA	As decided by clinic podiatrist, diabetes physician at diabetes centre/service			NA	NA	NA	e.g., diabetes physician, diabetes registrar, infectious diseases doctor, vascular surgeon, orthopaedic surgeon, podiatrists, and occasionally orthotist	e.g., every two weeks regularly	NA	NA	NA
Designated Charcot foot clinics [This is often an MDT clinic staffed by a podiatrist, orthotist, orthopaedic surgeon/registrar, and/or diabetes specialist and specifically manage patients with Acute or Chronic Diabetic Charcot Foot]	No.	NA	NA			NA	NA	NA			NA	NA	NA
Hyperbaric oxygen therapy	No.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	e.g., Yes
Vascular services for diabetic foot disease	Are the following vascular services provided at a local hospital or through a regional referral centre?	NA	NA	NA					NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Revascularization	Regionally	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	e.g., DHB public hospital; OT, Physio, rehab specialist	NA	NA
Lower Limb Amputation	Locally	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	e.g., DHB public hospital; OT, Physio, rehab specialist	NA