

# Podiatrists

## Overview of the role

Indictive Salary AfC 7

Max reimbursable amount over 12 months (with on cost) - £53724

Podiatrists are healthcare professionals that have been trained to diagnose and treat foot and lower limb conditions. Podiatrists provide assessment, evaluation and foot care for a wide range of patients, which range from low risk to long-term acute conditions. Many patients fall into high risk categories such as those with diabetes, rheumatism, cerebral palsy, peripheral arterial disease and peripheral nerve damage.

### Funding

From April 2020, this role will be reimbursed at 100% of actual salary plus defined on-costs, up to the maximum reimbursable amount of £53,724 over 12 months.

### Training/Development

Awaiting further guidance.

Must have a BSc to work as a podiatrist in all settings.

- HEE Primary care FCP training must be completed as the minimum threshold for entry to primary care and be supported by appropriate governance and indemnity.
- HEE primary care FCP training can begin 3-5 years post graduate

### Activities Undertaken

- Provide treatments for patients of all ages whilst autonomously managing a changing caseload as part of the PCN's MDT team.
- Assess and diagnose lower limb conditions and foot pathologies, commence management plans, deliver foot health education to patients and colleagues.
- Liaise with PCN colleagues, community and secondary care staff, and named clinicians to arrange further investigations and onward referrals.

### Skills and Competencies

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use and provide guidance on a range of equipment including surgical instruments, dressings, treatment tables, and orthotics</li> <li>• Provide treatment for high-risk patient groups such as the elderly and those with increased risk of amputation.</li> <li>• Use therapeutic and surgical techniques to treat foot and lower leg issues (e.g. carrying out nail and soft tissue surgery using local anesthetic).</li> <li>• Prescribe, produce, and fit orthotics and other aids and appliances.</li> <li>• Undertake continued professional development to understand the mechanics of the body to preserve, restore and develop movement for patients.</li> <li>• Undertake a range of administrative tasks such as ensuring stock levels are maintained and securely stored, and equipment is kept in good working order.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Supervision</b></p> <p>Awaiting further guidance.</p>	<p><b>Educator Providers</b></p>
<p><b>Job Description</b></p> <p>NHSE/I National have developed JD's and recruitment packs - Awaiting approval via BMA and Gateway process.</p>	<p><b>Case Studies</b></p>
<p><b>Additional Resources</b></p>	