Podiatrists

Overview of the role

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

Podiatrists are healthcare professionals who 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 after the completion of a postgraduate degree

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

Skills and Competencies

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 arrange further investigations and onward referrals. Use and provide guidance on a range of equipment including surgical instruments, dressings, treatment tables, and orthotics. Provide treatment for high-risk patient groups such as the elderly and those with increased risk of amputation. Use therapeutic and surgical techniques to treat foot and lower leg issues (e.g. carrying out nail and soft tissue surgery using local anaesthetic). Prescribe, produce, and fit orthotics and other aids and appliances. Undertake continued professional development to understand the mechanics of the body to preserve, restore and develop movement for patients. Undertake a range of administrative tasks such as ensuring stock levels are maintained and securely stored, and equipment is kept in good working order. 	
Supervision	Educator Providers
Awaiting further guidance.	
Job Description	Case Studies
NHSE/I National have developed JD's and recruitment packs - Awaiting approval via BMA and Gateway process.	
Additional Resources	

https://www.england.nhs.uk/ahp/ahps-in-primary-care-networks/