

# From our Partners



**T**he mission of D-Foot International is to end avoidable lower-limb amputations due to diabetes worldwide and promote the global profile of diabetic foot prevention and care through awareness, guidance, education, research and professional development.

D-Foot International is a non-profit organization that is committed to reducing the number of amputations caused by diabetic foot complications around the world. With an estimated 425 million people worldwide living with diabetes, D-Foot International is addressing a critical public health challenge.

One of D-Foot International's top priorities is to promote awareness and education about diabetic foot complications. We believe that education is key to preventing diabetic foot problems and reducing the number of amputations. To achieve this goal, we provide valuable resources and training to health-care professionals, patients and the public.

D-Foot International also collaborates with health-care providers and policymakers around the world to improve diabetic foot care. We provide training and resources to health-care professionals to ensure they are equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to provide effective diabetic foot care. D-Foot International also advocates for policies that prioritize diabetic foot care.

D-Foot International is a vital organization that is doing important work to improve the lives of people with diabetes worldwide. Our focus on education, research and collaboration with health-care providers and policymakers is essential for reducing the number of amputations caused by diabetic foot complications. We can all support these efforts by spreading awareness of the importance of proper diabetic foot care and by becoming a member. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of people with diabetes around the world.

## **Current Projects and Initiatives**

Our organization has identified several priority projects aimed at improving diabetic foot care globally:

- Train the Foot Trainer Project
- Webinars by Experts
- AB(b)A
- FLIRT-Bird: Footwear for LMIC
- D-Foot International Diabetic Foot Academy
- Health Economic and Cost Study

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## NEWS

### Train the Foot Trainer

In February, D-Foot International organized the 7th *Train the Foot Trainer* conference in Chennai, India (February 9-12, 2023).

The *Train the Foot Trainer* initiative is our main flagship project. Teaching foot experts how to train others in quality education goes a long way when it comes to significantly reducing the number of lower-limb amputations due to diabetes. The goal of this initiative is to train foot experts around the world on how to set up education programs for local primary care professionals and other foot specialists.

Each *Train the Foot Trainer* course trains up to 50 participants in foot care best practices, teaching methodology and how to set up a diabetic foot centre. Graduates then go out and train thousands of doctors and nurses in their own regions.



Limb preservation and diabetic foot care experts from around the world gathered at the 7th *Train the Foot Trainer* conference in Chennai, India earlier this year.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Diabetic Foot Awareness Week: The 2023 Diabetic Foot Awareness Week*, November 7–14, is a fantastic opportunity to connect with key opinion leaders and their communities from around the world, gain access to cutting-edge education and clinical

research, and make valuable connections with other professionals in the field.

This is our second flagship project, aimed at creating awareness about the diabetic foot globally. It runs for eight days in November every year.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity – visit <https://d-foot.org> for more information on how you can get involved today.

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## JOIN US

Joining D-Foot International is an excellent opportunity to be part of a global movement that is working towards the prevention and management of diabetic foot complications. By downloading the available resources, implementing the IWGDF guidelines in your regions, and participating in the November 2023 Global Awareness Campaign, you can make a real difference in the lives of people living with diabetes-related foot complications. To apply for membership, visit <https://d-foot.org/membership>