

New Supplement Coming Soon!

New Perspectives in Diabetic Limb Preservation

An upcoming supplement to *Wound Care Canada* will provide readers with a comprehensive overview of Wounds Canada's Spring 2019 Symposium: New Perspectives in Diabetic Limb Preservation, held in Toronto on May 31. In the session summaries readers will discover a wealth of diabetic-foot-related information from Canadian and international wound experts, with a special focus on limb preservation.

Topics will include:

- Multidisciplinary approach to limb preservation: Past. Present. Future.
- The impact of diabetic foot complications: national and global trends
- Limb preservation clinics
- Medical management of people with diabetic foot ulcers
- Vascular topics
- Infection
- Wound management
- Offloading (surgical and non-surgical)
- Special topics (such as renal patients, heel ulcers, non-healing/non-healable wounds)
- What do we need to succeed?
- Plus: A summary of the dinner meeting held the evening before the Symposium, which brought interested parties together to discuss building a strong community of practice.



A Special Bonus

As a bonus, the supplement will feature a brand-new diabetic foot enabler, which outlines the course of action required to prevent diabetic-foot-related amputations at a systems level. Wounds Canada's Diabetic Foot Task Force created this enabler to allow decision-makers in government to understand the issues around caring for people at risk for diabetic foot complications. The enabler addresses three groups of patients—those with diabetes but no history of ulceration, those with diabetes and a current foot ulcer or complication, and those with diabetes and a healed foot ulcer or complication—and covers risk assessment, care planning, re-screening and reassessment/evaluation of interventions.

About the Event

The first program in Wounds Canada's Symposium Series, New Perspectives in Diabetic Limb Preservation, featured a

full day of sessions led by faculty who explored important topics in the management of patients with diabetic foot ulcers, with a particular focus on the reduction of amputations.

The event was aimed at health-care providers from a range of disciplines with an interest in this topic and/or who work with patients with lower limb complications that can lead to amputation—including primary care professionals and specialists such as surgeons, family physicians, pharmacists, nurse practitioners, chiropodists and surgical podiatrists.

The symposium was a joint venture between Wounds Canada and the Canadian Podiatric Medical Association. It was supported by the Division of Vascular Surgery at the University of Toronto and officially endorsed by the Canadian Society for Vascular Surgery.

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