

Diabetic foot ulcers should be treated early

Cases that are far along may have serious consequences

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“Some people may not have any symptoms. If they have limited sensation in their feet called neuropathy, often by the time they see us at the wound center, they have the wound already.” (:11)

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“It’s removal of dead tissue to try to allow the wound to heal from the inside out.” (:05)

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“It’s a multidisciplinary approach. We want good blood flow, so sometimes a vascular provider might be involved. We want good pressure relief, so we look into certain boots, sandals and casts. We make sure there’s no acute infection, so sometimes we work with infectious disease providers.” (:22)

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“That could be a tendon release. Some way to surgically change the way the pressure is put on.” (:08)

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“If people have neuropathy, they’re not going to know they have a sore until it’s too late. We’ve seen people with burns. They may have a nail or glass embedded in their foot. They walk around and never know it. It may become infected and become a bad situation.” (:20)