



TAKE A NEW LOOK AT  
**FOOT & ANKLE  
SURGEONS**

# FOOT & ANKLE SURGEONS: PARTNERS IN CARE

## FOOT & ANKLE SURGEONS TODAY

Foot & ankle surgeons are *the* leading experts for a wide range of complex foot and ankle care. They are skilled, experienced specialists who will ensure the best possible care for your patients. Foot & ankle surgeons are integral members of the multidisciplinary patient care team because they are:

**True specialists.** No other healthcare provider has more education and training specific to the foot and ankle than foot & ankle surgeons.

**Collaborative partners.** Foot & ankle surgeons regularly partner with a wide range of healthcare providers in both in-patient and out-patient settings to ensure best patient outcomes.

**Board-certified.** To earn certification from the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery, foot & ankle surgeons must undergo a comprehensive testing process that ensures they have demonstrated the highest level of surgical proficiency.

## WHEN SHOULD I REFER TO A FOOT & ANKLE SURGEON?

You should refer your patients to a foot & ankle surgeon when they need a true foot and ankle expert. Foot & ankle surgeons regularly collaborate with a wide range of healthcare providers as part of a multidisciplinary team and are your partners in care for:

**Simple to complex conditions.** From an ingrown toenail to a complicated sports injury, foot & ankle surgeons are the experts in all foot and ankle conditions.

**Detection of disease onset.** Specific diseases, such as diabetes, arthritis and cardiovascular disease, exhibit warning signs in the lower extremities. Foot & ankle surgeons are uniquely qualified to detect these early warning signs, which may pose an ongoing threat to a patient's overall health.

**Advanced surgical procedures.** Foot & ankle surgeons have surgical experience ranging from reconstruction to amputation and are pioneering ankle replacement surgery.

**Patients of all ages.** From pediatric to geriatric foot and ankle conditions, foot & ankle surgeons are trained to care for patients of any age.

### REFER FOR:

You can refer your patients to foot & ankle surgeons for all conditions of the lower extremities including:

- Fracture repair of the foot and ankle
- Bunions
- Heel pain
- Flatfoot
- Sports injuries
- Hammertoes
- Tendon disorders
- Ankle instability
- Diabetic foot care & complications
- Bone infections/healing
- Ankle and foot arthritis
- Foot and ankle trauma
- Neuromas
- Neuropathy
- Foreign body injuries
- Amputation prevention
- Tendinosis
- Ingrown toenails
- Nail fungus
- Warts



### HOW DO I FIND A FOOT & ANKLE SURGEON?

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