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## **Patient and provider perceptions to foot screening in diabetes and alternative approaches**

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### **Project Description:**

Singapore has one of the highest rates of diabetes-related lower extremity amputations among developed countries. Current guidelines recommend regular foot assessment in people with diabetes to identify patients at higher risk early. However, patients and providers may have differing perceptions of the value of such preventive services and uptake of foot assessments may be inadequate. This project will investigate patient and provider attitudes towards preventive foot assessments in diabetes, understand barriers to such assessments and explore alternative approaches to foot screening and assessments based on the insights generated. This work can help to increase the reach and uptake of preventive services, optimise patient and provider time spent on foot care, and prevent avoidable foot complications.