

Assessment and management

Assessment and management is provided for a range of foot problems arising from multiple aetiologies including:-

- Diabetes
- Vascular Disease
- Neurological conditions
- Renal Disease
- Systemic arthropathy and rheumatology conditions
- Biomechanical
- Involution of nail/nail issues - nail surgery can be provided.

All these conditions can lead to the feet being vulnerable to pain and infection, affecting the quality of life of our service users. Our aim is to minimise it as much as possible.

Information and advice can be provided in an accessible /easy read format.

Contact ALD Podiatry at:

Armagh/Dungannon 028 37564640

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What's your story?

Adults with Learning Disabilities

Podiatry Service

Adult learning disability podiatrists provide a comprehensive foot health service for conditions affecting the feet and lower limbs in order to maintain and maximise independence and mobility for the ALD population throughout the Southern Trust.

ALD Podiatry service allows

Ease of access to podiatry for the service user were non-specialist community clinics may not be suitable

Equitable service across the Trust

Timely reviews and shorter waiting lists

High clinical standards

Continuity of care provided by staff who have the knowledge, skills and experience in working within learning disability

Good communication between professionals within the Community Learning Disability Teams, Day Care, Service users, families/carers

Access criteria:

- Diagnosis of a Learning Disability
- Resident of the SHSCT Trust and known to the Adult Learning Disability Service
- Age 18+

Referrals are accepted from:

- GP
- Community Learning Disability Teams
- Specialist Teams i.e. Forensic, Behaviour Support, Transition

Service is provided in:

- Trust Day Care Centres
- Private Day Care facilities
- Supported Living
- Private/Residential Nursing Homes
- Dorsy Unit
- Day Time Opportunities
- Community

Referrals

Referrals sent to the Central Booking Unit are triaged daily.

Urgent referrals include the presentation of foot ulceration or signs and symptoms of infection such as redness, swelling, pus, increased pain and warmth.