

With more education and training specific to the foot and ankle than any other healthcare provider, foot & ankle surgeons are the leading experts in treating all diabetic foot conditions.



## UNMATCHED EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- FOUR YEARS at a postgraduate podiatric medical school to earn a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM) degree
- MINIMUM THREE-YEAR foot and ankle surgical residency program approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education
- FELLOWSHIPS IN AREAS LIKE diabetic limb salvage and wound care



## **CERTIFICATION MATTERS**

- BOARD-CERTIFIED BY AN INDEPENDENT CERTIFYING AGENCY, the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery, in foot surgery and/or reconstructive rearfoot/ankle surgery
- ONLY BOARD-CERTIFIED Fellows of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS) are distinguished with the credentials of FACFAS and Associate members are board-qualified with AACFAS credentials



## **COLLABORATION IS KEY**

- REGULARLY PARTNER WITH diabetes educators to effectively manage diabetic foot conditions
- COLLABORATIVE MONITORING is essential to keep patients' feet healthy





## **KEEPING AN EYE ON THE FOOT & ANKLE**

Foot & ankle surgeons **WILL WORK WITH YOU AND YOUR PATIENTS** to manage complications associated with diabetes, including:



- Bunions
- Ulcers that don't heal
- Hammertoes
- Charcot foot
- Bone infections/ healing
- Bone healing
- Trauma
- Corns
- Calluses

- Diabetic peripheral neuropathy (nerve damage)
- Foreign body injuries
- Amputation prevention
- Ingrown toenails
- Cracked heels



