



Chennai Amputation Prevention Service

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The CAPS Project

The M.V. Hospital for Diabetes at Royapuram, Chennai, launched the 'Chennai Amputation Prevention Service' (CAPS) on 2nd August, 2011, as a community service exclusively for diabetic patients. The objective of the project is to prevent the occurrence of ulcers, re-ulceration, amputations and re-amputations, which are caused due to diabetic neuropathy. Diabetic neuropathy can be easily prevented through proper patient education.

In this project, a team consisting of a Social Worker and a Nurse visit the homes of patients, with prior appointment. The team attends to the patients with a high risk foot with infection, ulcer or amputation. The team also educates patients who have undergone amputation of one leg, or a part of it, about the diabetic foot and methods to prevent amputation, to help them save the other leg. Foot examination, foot care, and dressing of wounds are also a part of this service for people with foot ulcers. They are advised on appropriate footwear and given referrals if needed.

Call 9840198880 for this doorstep service at a nominal cost. Patients availing this community service can also access the M.V. Hospital for Diabetes for further care and follow-up. The hospital has two full fledged Podiatry Centres, one at Royapuram and the other at Mylapore, to serve the people of North and South Chennai.