

Diabetic Foot and Ankle Care, Ulcer Prevention — Evaluation of Footwear

*This measure is to reported for all patients aged 18 years and older with diabetes mellitus —a minimum of **once** per reporting period.*

Measure description

Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus who were evaluated for proper footwear and sizing

What will you need to report for each patient with diabetes mellitus for this measure?

If you select this measure for reporting, you will report:

- Whether or not you evaluated the patient for proper footwear and sizing¹

What if this process or outcome of care is not appropriate for your patient?

There may be times when it is not appropriate to evaluate a diabetic patient for proper footwear and sizing, due to:

- Documented reasons (eg, patient was not an eligible candidate for footwear evaluation)

In these cases, you will need to indicate that the documented reason applies, and specify the reason on the worksheet and in the medical chart. The office/billing staff will then report the G-code that represents these valid reasons (also called exclusions).

¹Evaluation for proper footwear includes a foot examination documenting the vascular, neurological, dermatological, and structural/biomechanical findings. The foot should be measured using a standard measuring device and counseling on appropriate footwear should be based on risk categorization.