

Dear Service user,

Due to the COVID19 pandemic and changes to recent national guidance your outpatient appointment has been postponed to a later date. A podiatrist has reviewed your referral for a Moderate risk Diabetes foot check and at present there do not appear to be any urgent problems which would require you to see a podiatrist.

However as your feet have previously been assessed as being at Moderate risk of developing diabetes foot complications it is important you are aware of simple measures to keep your feet healthy and problem free, most importantly:

- When checking your feet daily If you notice a wound to your foot or you have an open wound and notice increased redness, heat, discharge or swelling please contact Podiatry on 01743 277681, during this time Podiatrists are available during working hours to give advice or if necessary organise an emergency Podiatry appointment, we would also advise you to contact your G.P. if signs of infection are present.

I have enclosed advice leaflets about how to look after your feet when you have been assessed as Moderate risk of developing diabetes foot problems, and also a self care advice leaflet for common foot problems, for further information and support tools during this time please visit our homepage via

www.shropscommunityhealth.nhs.uk/podiatry.

If you need your letters in another format e.g. braille, audio, or another language, please contact our Patient Advice Liaison Service (PALS) on 01743 277689 or shropcom.customerservices@nhs.net.