



SEEKING CONSUMER INPUT



We're seeking two consumer representatives to join our 'Australian Research Agenda for diabetes-related foot disease' project team

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT US

Diabetic Foot Australia (DFA) was established in 2015 with the vision to end avoidable amputations within a generation in Australia, with our primary objectives to:



Optimise national diabetes-related foot disease evidence based clinical practice



Empower Australia to become a leading nation in diabetes-related foot disease management



Stimulate national diabetes-related foot disease research



Reduce Australia's diabetes-related amputation rate

ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH PROJECT

Did you know that every two hours someone in Australia will undergo an amputation as a result of diabetes-related foot disease? Did you also know that diabetes-related foot ulcers are reported as the leading cause of amputation in Australia?

For a little known disease, the statistics are confronting. But it does make you stop and think about the reasons why, and leads to one very important question. What can and should we do to end avoidable amputations within a generation?

Here at DFA, one of the ways we're tackling that question is to focus on the important role research plays. And how we can improve future national research opportunities by building the "Australian Research Agenda for diabetes-related foot disease". But to build it, we need your valuable thoughts and ideas.

Did you know that diabetes-related foot disease receives less than 0.2% of the total diabetes research funded in Australia?

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE TEAM?

We are looking for two passionate consumer representatives, who want to help make a difference by sharing their personal experience and expertise with diabetes-related foot disease and foot health. For these voluntary positions, we'd ideally like representatives who:

- are based in Australia
- live with diabetes and have a history of having lived with a diabetes-related foot ulcer, or live with diabetes but without a history of diabetes-related foot ulcers
- have had previous experience/involvement as a consumer representative or a keen interest in this area

WHAT'S INVOLVED WITH THE POSITION?

Consumers are integral to this national project to ensure critical views on the research priorities of people with diabetes-related foot disease (DFD) are not only heard, but also involved. Our consumer representatives will join the broader working group of clinical and research representatives and play a vital role in developing and defining this important project including:

- Participating in the development of surveys
- Providing feedback on analysis of survey responses
- Involvement in the interpretation of the findings
- Helping to involve consumers and consumer groups

This project is anticipated to run from MAY20 to JAN21. The working group aims to meet (online) once a month for 1-2 hour meetings (usually outside business hours) with all documentation provided a week in advance for review.

So...would you like to help build a national research agenda for diabetes-related foot disease?

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19 MAY 20**





CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVE **APPLICATION FORM**

Australian Research Agenda for
diabetes-related foot disease project

PERSONAL INFORMATION

FULL NAME:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

CONTACT NUMBER:

STATE:

OCCUPATION (IF APPLICABLE):

ABOUT YOU

Tell us your reason/s for wishing to join the DFA Research Agenda Working Group as a Consumer Representative (250 words max)

Give a brief description of your personal experience with diabetes-related foot disease (250 words max)

Give a brief description of any experience you have had as a consumer representative on similar projects (250 words max)

APPLY NOW

Please submit application form to nationaloffice@diabeticfootaustralia.org

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to hearing from you!

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