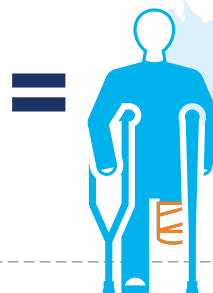
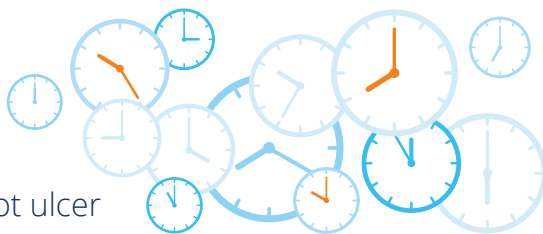


Why action is needed to **prevent amputations** in Newfoundland and Labrador

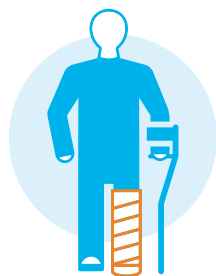
In NL, there is

1 amputation every 55 hours

as a result of a diabetic foot ulcer



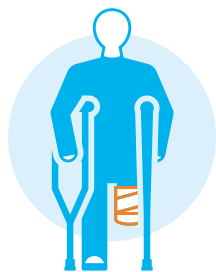
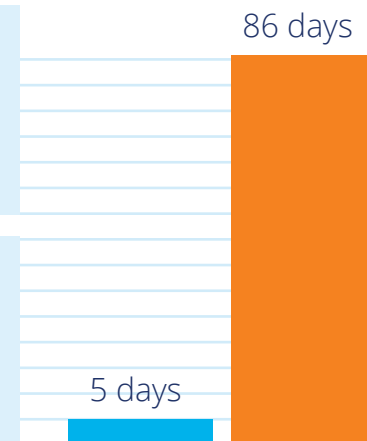
In 2018, 65,000 people in NL are living with diabetes



760 to 1,260 will have a diabetic foot ulcer

When an ulcer **leads to amputation:**
86 days in the hospital, ER and clinics

When an ulcer **heals properly:**
5 days in the hospital, ER and clinics



Nearly **160** will have an amputation below the knee

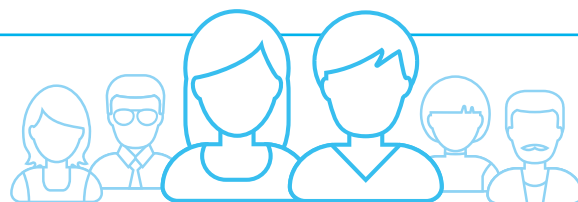
Direct health-care costs:

Up to \$18 million a year



What can we do? In addition to improved screening and foot care, increased government funding for specialized devices can help prevent amputations and save our health-care system up to **\$5.2 million a year.**

Ask the Government of NL to take action for our health.



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