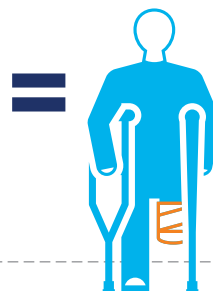


# Why action is needed to **prevent amputations** in Saskatchewan

In Saskatchewan, there is **1 amputation every 40 hours**

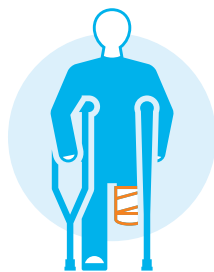
as a result of a diabetic foot ulcer



**In 2018, 99,000 people in Saskatchewan are living with diabetes**



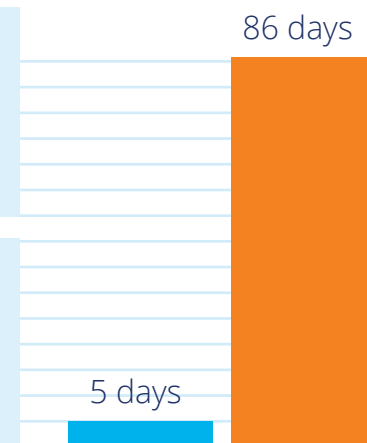
**1,100 to 1,900** will have a diabetic foot ulcer



Nearly **217** will have an amputation below the knee

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



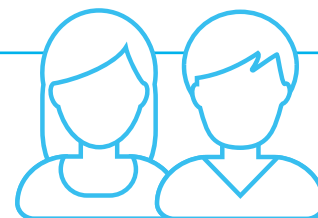
Direct health-care costs:

**Up to \$27 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 **\$7.3 million a year.**

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



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