

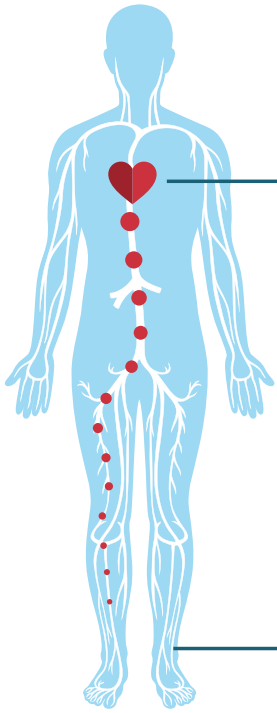
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# Heart Health

and the Impact to Chronic Wounds

People living with a chronic wound may also have cardiovascular risk factors or conditions such as peripheral artery disease (PAD), coronary artery disease or diabetes.

## Know the Risks



Heart risk factors may lead to the **obstruction of blood flow.**

Decreased blood flow hinders the delivery of **oxygen and nutrition** needed for proper wound healing.

An unhealed wound on the foot or leg can **lead to complications such as infection, hospitalizations, or even amputation.**

**48%** of Americans suffer from a cardiovascular disease.

People with diabetes are **2-4 times** more likely to have a cardiovascular disease.



**82%** of lower leg amputations are due to poor blood circulation.

The American Heart Association aims to reduce amputations by **20% by 2030** through increased PAD awareness, diagnosis and early intervention of cardiovascular-related wounds.

## Seek Care

**Take off your shoes and socks** at your next healthcare appointment.



**Timely detection and treatment** of any wound can reduce risk of amputation and improve quality of life.



Specialized care provided by **Wound Care Centers®** can increase healing rates, reduce the time to heal and significantly lower amputation risk.

Heart Health Month



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