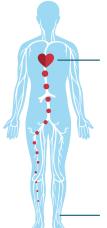
FEB Heart Health and the Impact to Chronic Wounds

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

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.



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