

What's the cost of saving a foot?

A review of the cost of diabetic foot ulcers uncovers a new treatment that may ensure long-term healing.

MIAMI, FLORIDA, USA, December 15, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- As diabetes mellitus becomes more prevalent, a new treatment proposes a promising solution to the increasing impact of <u>diabetic</u> ulcers on the wallets of patients and the healthcare system.

A study of trends on the cost of in-patient care of <u>diabetic foot ulcers</u> determined that, "hospital charges and costs related to diabetic foot ulcers have increased significantly" suggesting that "attempts at limb salvage" are one of the underlying causes for this increase. [1]

Additionally, a study of diabetic medicare patients determined that approximately 25% of patients will suffer from a diabetic foot ulcer in their lives [2]. This same study determined that patients with DFU (Diabetic foot ulcers) will spend, on average, over \$28,000 every year, this being over \$12,000 more than diabetic patients without DFU.

These costs not only included the cost of standard treatment but indicated that patients with DFU spend more on emergency room visits and home healthcare while managing the impact of their ulcerative wound.

Currently available <u>treatments</u> include; debridement of the wound, drainage, and skin grafting. These are a temporary solution that, at best, prolong an ulcers' progression toward potential limb amputation and require ongoing repetition, thus contributing the ongoing cost of DFU care.

In contrast, this exciting new treatment (currently undergoing clinical trial for phase I FDA approval) proposes a solution to both the ongoing cost of DFU and a long term resolution to treating wounds and avoiding amputation.

The treatment incorporates a clinically tested, scientific combination of growth factors. Growth factors have shown to be significantly effective in aiding wound closure and reducing the time it takes for diabetic foot wounds to heal.

The creators of this promising treatment are seeking patients to participate in this clinical study now. More information is available at https://dfutreatments.com or call Bahamas: 1 (242) 351-5424 or (242) 375-2272.

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