

Introducing

Podiatry support worker



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About the role

Podiatry support workers provide general foot and leg treatments under the supervision of a registered podiatrist. They are also sometimes known as podiatry assistant practitioners or foot care assistants.

“The feet are an amazing part of your anatomy and foot problems can really affect a patient’s daily life. Seeing patients following foot care advice means they’re back doing what they love in no time.”

– Podiatry support worker

Did you know?

NHSScotland employs more than 60 podiatry support workers.⁽¹⁾ The professional care of feet can be dated back to ancient Egypt in 2400 BC, seen in tomb carvings.

→ How to pursue this role:

To apply for a job as a podiatry support worker, you’ll need a good standard of general education, including English and Maths. You can get into this career through:

1. direct application
2. a Modern Apprenticeship

☆ Top skills:

- listening skills
- motivating people
- caring for people
- problem-solving skills
- communicating with people
- relationship-building skills
- attention to detail

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References:

1. ISD Scotland, NHSScotland workforce data, December 2019.