

# Joined Up Careers Derbyshire

## Podiatrist

### What is a podiatrist?

Podiatrists can assess, diagnose, treat and advise on foot problems for adults and children. This can be routine foot care such as corn, hard skin and nail care, or prevention and treatment of people at higher risk of foot problems such as those with diabetes. It can include assessment of foot pain and how the foot contributes to this, or how a person's feet can cause pain in other areas of the body. A podiatrist is also trained in minor surgery for ingrowing toenails.

### Do you have what it takes?

You will be required to undertake a minimum of a university or apprenticeship degree to practise as a podiatrist. Being happy to handle other people's feet is vital in podiatry, but it will also be beneficial if you are a good listener, caring and dedicated, and flexible to work alone or in a team. Communication and organisational skills are also essential when practising podiatry.

### What's in it for you?

- Rewarding career
- Variety
- Flexibility
- Excellent employment prospects
- Competitive pay
- Progression opportunities

### How can I find out more?

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