#### PODIATRY SELF REFERRAL FORM



| How long have you had this complaint?  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Days □ Weeks □ Months □ Years □  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are the symptoms worsening? Yes □ No □   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are you off work or unable to care for dependant because of this problem?  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes □ No □ Not Applicable □  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GENERAL HEALTH Please tick if you have any of the following:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diabetes □ Stroke □ Poor circulation □ Heart disease □ Rheumatoid arthritis □ Eczema/psoriasis □ Foot/Leg amputation □ Foot/Leg ulcers □ |  |  |  |  |  |
| MEDICATIONS Please list all medications/tablets you are taking (please attach additional sheet if more space required):                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FOOT HEALTH Please tick if you suffer from any of the following:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Infection or ulcer ☐ Heel Pain ☐ Ingrowing toenail ☐ Pain on walking ☐ Painful corns ☐ Verrucae ☐ Thickened nails ☐ Joint pain in feet ☐ |  |  |  |  |  |

### **DO YOU NEED PODIATRY?**

A guide to self-referral to the Podiatry Service



Our service aims to maintain and promote good foot health in the population of Islington, in order to help sustain mobility, independence and reduce pain.

We strive to provide an accessible and equitable high quality service, which listens and responds to the needs of its users.

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#### DO YOU NEED PODIATRY?

Podiatrists assess and treat problems of the foot and ankle. If you are an Islington resident with foot problems you can now selfrefer to the Podiatry Service without seeing your GP or other health care professional.

#### **HOW DO YOU SELF-REFER?**

Please complete the attached selfreferral form in as much detail as possible and either post or email to the Podiatry Service.

# WHAT WILL HAPPEN NEXT?

- A podiatrist will look at your form and see whether you need a podiatry assessment
- You will then receive a letter inviting you to call our service to book an appointment
- At this first appointment the podiatrist will assess your medical history as well as your foot complaint
- Using this information the podiatrist will determine your clinical need and put together an agreed treatment care plan with you
- Please note: Our service aims to educate patients in self care in order to maintain independence and mobility therefore you may not be offered ongoing Podiatry treatment

# WHAT TYPES OF TREATMENTS DOES OUR PODIATRY SERVICE OFFER?

#### **Treatment of foot pain**

Podiatrist can help diagnose your foot pain by assessing your foot structure and the way you walk. We treat conditions such as Heel pain, Arch pain, Bunions.

#### Treatment of the high risk foot

Podiatrists play an important role in reducing risk of foot problems due to Diabetes, poor circulation or Rheumatoid arthritis. These patients can be at risk of foot ulcers, infection and possible amputation therefore take priority over low-risk patients.

## Treatment of skin & nail conditions of the foot

The podiatrist can provide this care to eligible patients, based on a clinical need, to facilitate mobility. This includes treatment of problems such as corns, Verruca or ingrown nails.

#### **Specialist Podiatry services**

- ~ Toenail surgery
- ~ Radiosurgery
- ~ Injection therapy
- ~ Biomechanical assessment/ innersoles

#### PODIATRY SELF REFERRAL FORM

Please complete both sides of this form and post OR email to:

**Post:** Administrative Referral Team – Islington (ARTI)

Ground Floor, 338-346 Goswell Rd

London EC1V 7LQ

Fax: 0844 7746419

Email: arti.centralbooking@nhs.net

(Electronic version of this form can be found at:

www.islington.nhs.uk/podiatry.htm)

| NHS NUMBER (if known):   |                |           | Today's Date     |  |  |
|--|----------------|-----------|------------------|--|--|
| Title: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms  | First Name     | ):        | Surname:         |  |  |
| Address:   | Postcode:      |           |                  |  |  |
| Home Phone no:   | Work phone no: |           | Mobile Phone no: |  |  |
| GP name and Practice:  |                |           | DOB:             |  |  |
| First Language   |                | Ethnicity |                  |  |  |
| Do you require an interpreter? Yes □ No □                          |                |           |                  |  |  |
| Are you house bound? Yes □ No □                                    |                |           |                  |  |  |
| Please give a brief description of why you need a foot assessment: |                |           |                  |  |  |