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# **Podiatry assistant**

Podiatry assistants treat and care for people whose feet and legs have been affected by injury or illness. Their work helps people live full and independent lives.

# Working life

Podiatry assistants are sometimes known as footcare assistants and treat people of all ages with a variety of conditions. For example:

- children with lower limb pain or problems walking
- diabetes sufferers with circulation problems who may be at risk of amputation
- elderly people
- people with sports injuries
- dancers whose long hours of rehearsing and performing put stress on their feet causing injury
- people needing minor procedures such as nail surgery or laser treatment, using local anaesthetic
- · people wanting advice about footwear or foot health

podiatry assitant with patient

As a podiatry assistant, your work will include

- cutting, filing and drilling toenails
- · applying dressings and treatments
- booking appointments and other admin work
- · taking insole templates
- advising patients and their carers on foot health and footwear

# Where will I work?

In the NHS, you will work in hospital departments, clinics, health centres or GPs surgeries. Some podiatry assistants visit clients who cannot leave home or are in a nursing home.

Apprenticeships logo

Some podiatry assistants work in private clinics or footcare centres.

# **Entry requirements**

There are no set entry requirements to become a podiatry assistant. Employers expect good literacy and numeracy and may ask for GCSEs, or equivalent. They may ask for an NVQ, BTEC or equivalent qualification in health and social care or healthcare.

Employers often ask for relevant work experience. Even where this is not specified, it would be an advantage if you have worked in health or social care, either in paid employment or voluntary work.

# Personal characteristics and skills needed

Podiatry assistants need to be

- willing to handle other people's feet
- calm and reassuring
- · caring and dedicated
- able to follow procedures and instructions
- · willing to work alone or in a team
- · able to explain treatment to patients

You'll also need

Podiatry assistants are also known as footcare assistants.

- good manual (hand) skills
- organisation skills
- · communication skills
- · customer service skills

# Training and development

You will get the training you need to work as a podiatry assistant. This includes:

- diseases and conditions of the skin and nails
- anatomy and physiology [1]
- conditions of the feet and legs
- nail operations

You may also have the opportunity to do an apprenticeship.

Some podiatry assistants join the <u>Royal College of Podiatry</u> [2] as associate members. They runs courses, conferences and seminars where podiatry assistants can update their skills and network with others doing similar work. You could apply to train as a podiatrist.

# Pay and benefits

Your standard working week will be around 37.5 hours and may include a mix of shifts, such as nights, early starts, evenings and weekends. You'll be paid on the Agenda for Change (AFC [3]) pay system, typically starting on band 2 or 3.

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Diabetes / Podiatry Footcare Practitioner (Annex 21)

Carmarthen, SA31 2AF

Salary:

£26928.00 to £29551.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Hywel Dda University Health Board

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Podiatry Assistant Practitioner (Level 5 Apprenticeship)

Swindon, SN3 6BB

Salary:

£24625.00 to £29114.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

**Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust** 

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## Podiatry Clinical Assistant

Mountain Ash, CF45 4BZ

Salary:

£23970.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board

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## Podiatry Team Lead

Worcester, WR5 1JF

Salary:

£47810.00 to £54710.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Herefordshire and Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust

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# Senior Podiatry Administrator

Based at Clevedon, Knowle, cossham, BS21 6FW

Salary:

£27485.00 to £30162.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Sirona care & health CIC

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# Podiatry Caseload Holder

Whiston, L35 3SX

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust

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## Specialist Podiatrist - Musculoskeletal Podiatry

Port Talbot, SA12 7BJ

Salary:

£37898.00 to £45637.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Swansea Bay University Health Board

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## Band 3 Admin/Co-ordinator - Podiatry/Orthotics

Birmingham, B15 2TH

Salary:

£24169.00 to £25674.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust

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(opens in a new window) [11]

#### Senior Rehab Assistant/ Assistant Practitioner

Taunton, TA1 2PX

Salary:

£27485.00 to £30162.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Somerset NHS Foundation Trust

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# Children's Support Assistant (Healthcare Assistant)

Tadworth, KT20 5RU

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Children's Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Children's Support Assistant (Healthcare Assistant) job (opens in a new window) [13]

## Senior Pharmacy Assistant - Dispensing Assistant

Ashton Under Lyne, OL6 9RW

Salary:

£24625.00 to £25674.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Tameside and Glossop Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust

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(opens in a new window) [14]

## Bank Children's Support Assistant (Healthcare Assistant)

Tadworth, KT20 5RU

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Bank

Employer:

The Children's Trust

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# Theatre Assistant/Senior Theatre Assistant (Bank)

Tetbury, GL8 8XB

Salary:

£12.35 to £12.59

Type:

Bank

Employer:

**Tetbury Hospital** 

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#### Theatre Assistant

Oldham, OL2 6QW

Salary:

£27601.00

Type:

Permanent

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Employer:
       HealthHarmonie
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    Care Assistant

 Liss, GU33 7RR
 Salary:
       £12.60
 Type:
       Permanent
 Employer:
       Aria Care
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    Care Assistant

 Farmoor, OX2 9NL
 Salary:
       £12.85
 Type:
       Permanent
 Employer:
       Aria Care
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Care Assistant
 Chipping Campden, GL55 6DR
 Salary:
       £12.60
 Type:
       Permanent
 Employer:
       Aria Care
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    Care Assistant

 St Peter, JE3 7HQ
 Salary:
       £15.60
 Type:
       Permanent
 Employer:
       Aria Care
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#### Care Assistant

Rendlesham, IP12 2TP

Salary:

£12.60

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Aria Care

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#### Healthcare Assistant

Midhurst, West Sussex, GU29 9JP

Salary:

£25253.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Elysium Healthcare

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#### Care Assistant

Redhill, RH1 5BA

Salary:

£12.22

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

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#### Care Assistant

Taunton, TA4 1AB

Salary:

£12.80

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Aria Care

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# Housekeeping Assistant

Chertsey, KT16 9FS

Salary:

£12.25

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

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#### Healthcare Assistant

Keswick, CA12 4DB

Salary:

£12.31 to £13.06

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Castlehead Medical Centre

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#### Healthcare Assistant

Weybridge, KT13 8DW

Salary:

£13.00 to £15.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Phoenix Family Practice

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#### Healthcare Assistant

Hull, HU7 3JQ

Hull, HU3 6BX

Hull, HU8 8JS

Hull, HU6 9BX

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

#### Care Assistant

Ilkley Burley in Wharfedale, LS29 7QZ

Salary:

£12.80

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

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#### Domestic Assistant

Hartlepool, TS26 9PW

Salary:

£12.60

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Cygnet Health Care

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#### Domestic Assistant

Winchester, SO22 5DG

Salary:

£24169.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Domestic Assistant job (opens in a new window) [32]

### Assistant Psychologist

Tooting, SW17 7DJ

Salary:

£31944.00 to £34937.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

South West London and St Georges Mental Health NHS Trust

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#### Domestic Assistant

West Denton, NE5 5AY

Salary:

£12.26

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Akari Care Limited

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#### Kitchen Assistant

Deckham, NE8 3SA

Salary:

£12.26

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Akari Care Limited

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#### Domestic Assistant

Acresford, DE12 8AP

Salary:

£12.26

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Akari Care Limited

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### Catering Assistant

Salisbury, SP2 8BJ

Salary:

£24169.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust

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#### Healthcare Assistant

London, WC1X 0GB

Salary:

£25000.00 to £30000.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

**Amwell Group Practice** 

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#### Personal Assistant

Carmarthen, SA31 2AF

Salary:

£26928.00 to £29551.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Public Health Wales

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#### Care Assistant

Wellingborough, NN8 3PN

Salary:

£12.30

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

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#### Healthcare Assistant

Chesterfield, S42 7JD

Salary:

£24619.00 to £24948.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Ashgate Hospicecare

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#### Executive Assistant

Yeovil, BA22 8QR

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

**GPSU - General Practice Support Unit** 

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Executive Assistant job (opens in a new window) [42]

#### Domestic Assistant

Winchester, SO22 5DG

Salary:

£24169.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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# Nursery Assistant

Redhill, RH1 5RH

Salary:

£24169.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust

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### Domestic Assistant

Hardwick, TS19 8FR

Salary:

£12.26

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Akari Care Limited

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#### Domestic Assistant

Cowgate, NE5 3AB

Salary:

£12.60

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Akari Care Limited

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#### Care Assistant

Chertsey, KT16 9FS

Salary:

£13.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

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#### Domestic Assistant

Acresford, DE12 8AP

Salary:

£12.26

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Akari Care Limited

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# Hospitality Assistant

Kettering, NN15 7PW

Salary:

£24169.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Northamptonshire Healthcare Foundation Trust

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#### Administration Assistant

Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 6QG

Salary:

£24169.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospital of North Midlands NHS Trust

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#### Assistant Accountant

317 Trustwide, NE2 3AE

Salary:

£26530.00 to £29114.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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#### Kitchen Assistant

Hinckley, LE10 0EH

Salary:

£12.22

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Kitchen Assistant job (opens in a new window) [51]

# Housekeeping Assistant

Bournemouth, BH4 9DR

Salary:

£12.25

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

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#### Healthcare Assistant

Newport Pagnell, MK16 8QT

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

**Primary Care Careers** 

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# Nursing Assistant

Wythenshawe, M23 9QZ

Salary:

£24169.00 to £25674.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust

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#### Healthcare Assistant

Bangor, LL57 2PW

Salary:

£23970.00

Type:

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Employer:

Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Healthcare Assistant job (opens in a new window) [55]

# Pharmacy Assistant

Cwmbran, NP44 8YN

Salary:

£24433.00 to £26060.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Pharmacy Assistant job (opens in a new window) [56]

#### Domestic Assistant

Birmingham, B13 8JL

Salary:

£16214.58 to £24321.87

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Summerhill Services Limited

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#### Administration Assistant

317 01 Freeman Hospital, NE7 7DN

Salary:

£24625.00 to £25674.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Administration Assistant job (opens in a new window)
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# Physiotherapy Assistant

Lichfield, WS13 6EF

Salary:

£24625.00 to £25674.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

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# Bookings Assistant

Cheltenham, GL53 7AS

Salary:

£24675.00 to £26632.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Cobalt

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#### Care Assistant

Newcastle under Lyme, ST5 9NR

Salary:

£12.25

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Avery Healthcare Group Ltd.

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Care Assistant job (opens in a new window) [61]

#### Theatre Assistant

Bangor, LL57 2PW

Salary:

£23970.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

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