

## DO YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT PREVENTING AMPUTATIONS?

If you do, please write an email. The Wisconsin Physician Services (WPS) has proposed a Wound Care Local Coverage Determination that says: 1. Debridement for diabetic foot ulcers is not necessary and not covered 2. Debridement for Stage II pressure ulcers is not necessary and not covered 3. Debridement of ANY ulcer not deeper than the layer of skin is not necessary and not covered. Do you agree with this? Their cited evidence is greatly lacking!

WPS is the Medicare Administrative Contractor that covers:

- providing both Part A and Part B Medicare benefit administration for Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska, as well as Part A Medicare benefit administration for J5 National providers
- MAC Jurisdiction 8 (J8) - providing both Part A and Part B Medicare benefit administration for Indiana and Michigan
- As a subcontractor for other CMS contracts

Please write to WPS at [LCDCAC@wpsic.com](mailto:LCDCAC@wpsic.com) that you are commenting on LCD DL37228 and tell them what you think about this. Please share this to spread the word. Proposed LCD:

<https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/lcd-details.aspx?LCDId=38447&ver=3&SearchType=Advanced&CoverageSelection=Local&PolicyType=Draft&s=-&AdvSearchName=8&Keyword=wound+care&KeywordLookUp=Doc&KeywordSearchType=Exact&kg=true&bc=IAAAACAAAA&>

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