

## Learn, Review & Experience: Diabetic Foot Global Conference 2015

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The 13th annual Diabetic Foot Global Conference (DFCon) will once again convene to deliver the latest advancements in diagnostic and interventional strategies for foot ulcers and amputation prevention. This international, interdisciplinary conference is the only opportunity in 2015 for podiatrists to come together with vascular surgeons, orthope-

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dists, wound care specialists and other clinicians to learn the latest advancements in treating diabetic foot complications. This 3-day conference takes place March 19–21, 2015 at the Loews Hollywood Hotel in Los Angeles, California.

Conference Co-Chairmen George Andros, MD (Valley Presbyterian Hospital) and David G. Armstrong, DPM, MD, PhD (University of Arizona), in conjunction with Course Director Joseph L. Mills, Sr, MD (University of Arizona), have assembled over 35 world-renowned faculty to make DFCon 2015 the premier diabetic foot conference in North America. Podiatrists from 28 countries represented 45% of the total attendance at the 2014 conference. DFCon 2015 promises to be another great learning event for podiatrists interested in developing enhanced techniques in diabetic foot care.

The widespread prevalence of diabetes throughout the world and the rising cost of care related to complications of diabetes escalates the importance of DFCon 2015 as an international learning event for prevention and treatment of serious diabetic foot complications. A previous attendee agrees, saying “Providing quality care with increasingly fewer resources is a challenge all of us face. It was helpful to hear how that is being addressed in other institutional cultures.”

Learn through didactic talks, panel discussions, Q&A sessions, specialty symposia and workshops, which will delve into diagnostic and interventional strategies for diabetic foot ulcers and amputation prevention

Review state-of-the-art concepts and techniques while networking with world-renowned international faculty

Experience interactive symposiums focusing on techno-

logical, surgical and regenerative trends

“DFCon is without question the most focused, comprehensive, and applicable to practice conference there is,” stated one attendee. The DFCon 2015 agenda will deliver emerging data, treatment strategies, and innovative insights with equal focus and application to practice.



Session highlights include:

- The Diabetic Foot in Global Relief: Views from 30,000 Feet and Up from the Sole
- Navigating the Red Sea to Perfuse the Pedal Peninsula
- Technovangelism vs. Techgnosticism
- Manage a Ménage a Trois: Wound, Bone and Nerve
- Levity is the Wit of Sole: Offloading is No Joke
- Infectious Grooves: Get on the Sole Train
- Articulating about Disarticulating

The conference also includes hands-on technologies and advancement workshops that can lead to an immediate impact in provider practice, as noted by a DFCon 2014 attendee, “Many in our clinic volunteer in underprivileged countries so using NPWT in those settings will be valuable.” In addition to negative pressure wound therapy, attendees can attend workshops on offloading, vascular assessment tools, and advanced tissues and devices.

The 3-day registration fee includes tuition, CMEs/contact hours, post conference online webcast, welcome reception, all conference meals, symposia and workshops. Conference attendees can earn up to 18.50 CME credits.



Registration fees:

- MDs/DOs/DPMs: \$700
- RNs/NPs/Allied Health Professionals: \$575
- Residents/Students/Fellows: \$250
- Industry: \$800
- Military: \$400

Registration rates increase onsite to \$800 for MDs/DOs/DPMs and \$650 for RNs/NPs/Allied Health Professionals.

Those wishing to register for DFCon 2015 can register online at [dfcon.com/registration](http://dfcon.com/registration). Additional information can be found on the DFCon 2015 website, [dfcon.com](http://dfcon.com), by calling Jamie Mouton at International Conference Management at 337-235-6606, or by [clicking here](#).

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