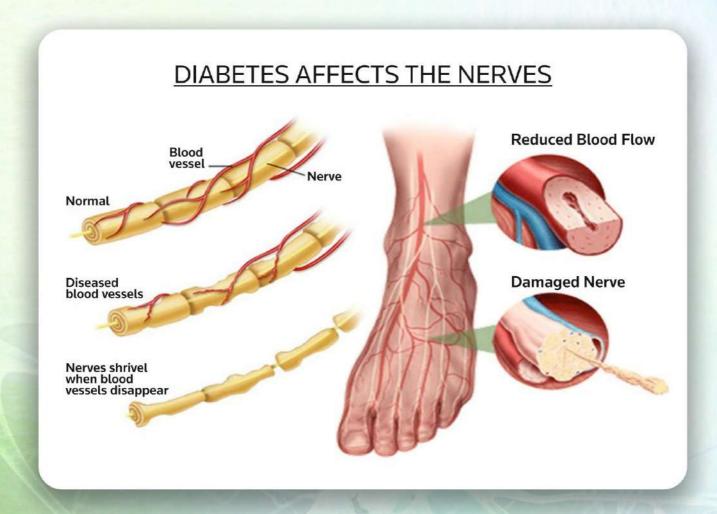


What is **Diabetic Neuropathy?**

- Diabetic neuropathy is a type of nerve damage that can occur if you have diabetes.
- High blood sugar (glucose) can injure nerves throughout the body.
- Diabetic neuropathy most often damages nerves in the legs and feet.



Types and Symptoms of Diabetic Neuropathy

PERIPHERAL NEUROPATHY
usually occurs in the feet, legs,
arms, abdomen, and back.



- Numbness
- Tingling
- Burning
- · Pain



AUTONOMIC NEUROPATHY
It usually affects the digestive
system (stomach), blood vessels,
urinary system and sex organs.



- Vomiting
- Nausea
- Heartburn
- Diarrhoea
- Constipation
- Bloating

PROXIMAL NEUROPATHY
Proximal neuropathy usually
occurs in the thighs, hips, or
buttocks.



- Weakness in thighs/buttocks
- Pain in hips/ buttocks/thighs

MONONEUROPATHY
It affects specific nerves in the head, torso, or leg causing pain and weakness.



- Eye pain
- Double vision
- · Chest or belly pain
- Severe back pains
- Paralysis on one side of the face (Bell's palsy)

Risk Factors for **Diabetic Neuropathy**

Though diabetes is the primary cause of diabetic neuropathy, various other risk factors can initiate or aggravate the condition.

Here are some of the common risk factors



HAVING HIGH BLOOD SUGARS



HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE



KIDNEY DISEASE



BEING OVERWEIGHT



DIABETES HISTORY



SMOKING

DON'T LOOSE **YOUR NERVES** TO DIABETES

Complications of **Diabetic Neuropathy**



LOSS OF SENSATION



CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE



SEXUAL DYSFUNCTION



INCREASED OR
DECREASED SWEATING



URINARY TRACT
INFECTIONS



TOE INFECTION & AMPUTATION

BEAT DIABETIC NEUROPATHY & RECLAIM YOUR LIFE

Foot Care for Diabetic Neuropathy



Ensure proper Foot care



Don't Walk on bare feet, especially in the hot sun.



Wear shoes that fit well.



Take care of your toenails.



Use lotion on your feet for reducing dryness.



Check your feet and legs daily.



Avoid standing up too quickly or for too long.

PUT FEET FIRST **PREVENT** AMPUTATIONS

Prevention of **Diabetic Neuropathy**



Blood Glucose Management



Regular exercise



Monitor blood pressure



Consume healthy diet



Avoid smoking & alcohol consumption



Massage legs

DON'T LET DIABETIC NEUROPATHY SLOW YOU DOWN