**Foot Care Nursing**

**Code of Ethics**

**The Certified Foot Care Nurse Shall:**

* **Engage in behavior which conforms to high standards of moral, ethical and professional competence.**
* **Offer services consistent with the standards of their profession; for which the individual is competent and qualified; work within the scope bound by their training; practice within the bounds of their state or provincial legislation.**
* **Practice the necessary infection control standards such as universal precautions when providing assessment and treatment; provide treatment in   
  a clean and safe environment that follows best practices.**
* **Inform the patient/client of the type of treatment and cost prior to the start of   
  the foot care treatment; what to expect from treatment; recommended   
  follow-up care.**
* **Provide accurate documentation and timely feedback to other members of   
  the healthcare team, and other interested parties in order to assure   
  coordinated, managed care of the patient/client.**
* **Recognize when a patient/client presents with a condition, pathology, or exam finding which requires advanced assessment and care outside of the Nurse’s qualifications and/or scope of practice.**
* **Recommend that a patient/client seek an appropriate qualified consultation when a patient/client's condition requires further assessment or treatment by   
  a podiatrist or primary care health provider.**
* **Abide by all prevailing community business standards and adhere to all   
  federal, state and local laws regulating business practice.**
* **Safeguard information obtained in the course of the involvement with a patient/client and maintain compliance with all Federal, State and Local Health Care Information Privacy statutes and standards.**