[Insert date]

[Insert referring physician’s address]

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 Dear Dr. [Insert referring physician’s name],

I am writing to introduce myself and share with you the services I can provide your patients, specifically those with diabetes or who may be at risk for developing the disease. Whether it’s medical or surgical treatment of the foot or ankle, I’d welcome the opportunity to work with you to meet your patients’ needs.

As a doctor of podiatric medicine, I pride myself on keeping patients of all ages pain-free and on the move. **Studies have shown that including a podiatrist in a patient’s diabetic care team can reduce the risk of lower limb amputation by up to 85 percent, and reduce the risk of hospitalization by 24 percent.1**

Along with providing wound care management and lower limb salvage for at-risk patients with diabetes, I can also diagnose, prescribe, and fit a majority of custom orthotics, and fit diabetic patients with diabetic shoes. My other areas of podiatric specialization include:

* [Insert areas of specialization that apply to your practice]
* Geriatrics
* Wound care
* Sports medicine
* Pediatrics
* Dermatology

Thank you for keeping my services in mind for your patients’ foot care needs. I would appreciate your referrals. I have enclosed a brochure about diabetic foot care produced by the American Podiatric Medical Association, an organization of which I am a member.

I will follow up with you to see if I can provide you with foot health brochures to distribute to your patients or answer any further questions you may have about podiatric medicine.

Respectfully,

[Insert your signature and name underneath]