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Activity Title *	WVCTSI Project ECHO Amputation Prevention
Program Date/Range: *	July 2023–July 2024
Type of Activity *	Virtual Live RSS–Regularly Scheduled Series – such as grand rounds, weekly conferences, case conferences, etc
Knowledge needs improvement / change: (The participants don't know "what" to do...) *	Yes
What subjects / topics will be included in the activity that will allow participants to increase knowledge in those areas? This course will help participants improve or change knowledge related to: *	Topics will include such things as screening and treatment of foot infections, wound assessment, prevention and treatment of ulcers, and understanding foot deformities.
Competence needs improvement / change: (The participants don't know "how" to do it...) *	Yes
This activity will help participants improve or change their competencies to accomplish the following: *	1) Identifying the mechanisms of commonly used agents and factors regarding treatment choices and duration. 2) Improve the ability to treat foot infections. 3) Identify foot deformities and assess wounds. 4) Identify available resources for ulcer prevention and treatment.
Performance needs improvement / change: (The participants "just don't" do it, for some reason...) *	Yes
This activity will help participants improve or change their performance of the following tasks: *	This ECHO project will help PCPs better identify diabetes–related foot deformities and assess wounds; screen, treat, and follow–up on diabetes–related infections/wounds. Often PCPs are not able to handle these patients due to a lack of knowledge and experience. The ECHO looks to change this and thus improving the PCPs performance.
Will the educational objectives reflect these desired changes? *	Yes
Is this activity designed to improve patient outcomes? *	Yes
If so, how? *	We are hoping that the PCPs will be able to treat their patients longer in the primary care setting rather than having to go to the ER or specialist that is far away.

Check the needs documentation that you used in selecting these topics. Attach documentation as described. \*

- review of literature (attach reference list or article)

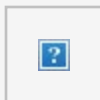
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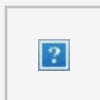
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Has an evaluation of a similar previous activity been reviewed? \*

Yes

List changes being made as a result: \*

We have introduced more tools within the ECHO sessions. These include breakout rooms, whiteboards, and polling features. We are also being more mindful of PCPs time by offering sessions monthly and recording them for later view.

Were topics for this activity identified from the previous evaluation survey? \*

No

Why does this Gap between current and desired practice exist?

The field is rapidly evolving in both degree of risk and capacity to screen and treat patients in rural areas.

How will this activity help close the practice gap / fix the identified problem(s)?

Case presentations will be made by rural clinicians with at risk patients. Recommendations and advice on treatment options will be made available to the clinicians.

This activity should improve:

- Competence
- Performance
- Patient Outcomes