

## Expert podiatry services from Orange's trusted clinic



### **About Patrick Raftery**

Orange Podiatry Services' proprietor, Patrick Raftery, originally registered as a podiatrist back in 1985 and has been practising in the Central West district ever since. After spending two years working in the hospital system, he went on to start his own practice, Orange Podiatry Services, in 1987. Since then, he's been providing professional podiatry services to clients throughout Orange for the past 30 years.

## Podiatry services

#### General foot care

We provide professional assessment and treatment for all kinds of foot problems, so whether you're suffering from ingrown toenails or have rheumatoid arthritis, we can help. We also offer expert advice on footwear and can assist you in choosing shoes that are kind to your feet.

#### Our general foot care services target

- Ingrown toenails
- Issues relating to diabetes
- · Corns and calluses
- Sore heels/plantar fasciitis and cracked heels
- · Painful ankles and knees
- Foot ulcer treatments
- Fungal nails, thick nails, curled in nails
- · Clawed and hammer toes
- Bunion
- · Forefoot pain
- · Help with issues arising from rheumatoid arthritis

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#### ngrown toenail:

Specialising in fungal treatment, we offer expert assessment and treatment of ingrown toenails. Ingrown toenails are caused when the toenails grow into the surrounding skin, which can leave your feet vulnerable to infection. To avoid this, it's important to wear comfortable shoes and to cut your nails properly. We can help you with any issue relating to ingrown toenails or fungal conditions.



#### Diabetic treatments

At Orange Podiatry Services, we provide assessment, treatment and advice on foot problems associated with diabetes. If you have diabetes, it's important to take extra care of your feet as the condition can reduce blood supply, thus reducing healing time should you injure them. It's therefore vital to keep your feet clean, wear comfortable shoes, and to visit your podiatrist at least once a year.



# nildren/adults sports

The use of orthotics is often a solution for children or adults who are experiencing foot problems. We can provide arch support to alleviate discomfort and give that much-needed boost to feet when walking or playing sports of any kind. This will ultimately help to prevent injury and we can offer our clients a choice of both commercial and customised orthotics to fit into their shoes.



# Gait/sport/dance

As children grow and develop, their gait may sometimes seem 'off', and this can be due to a foot problem. They may have shoes that are too tight, or they may simply have adopted an awkward way of walking, which can put pressure on the feet and cause damage. Children who take up dance classes or play sports can also develop gait or foot problems, so if you're worried about anything, just get in touch. We can assess and treat all types of issues in this area.

#### Referred Medicare nationts

If you have a pre-existing medical condition, as diagnosed by your GP, and have been referred to a podiatrist or told to seek podiatry services, then we can accept you as a Medicare patient. With our Enhanced Primary Care Plan, you're entitled to up to five visits through Medicare. Please note: we will require an official referral from your GP.

#### Veteran Affairs services

At Orange Podiatry Services, we're Veteran Affairs approved. Just book an appointment at the clinic and we'll help you with whatever foot-related issue you have.

#### Payment information

Orange Podiatry Services accepts most health funds and we also offer bulk billing with a doctor's referral. For payment, we accept cash and cheques, as well as Visa and MasterCard.

Call us today on 02 6362 1453 for more information about our expert podiatry services in Orange or for a free quote!