



# **Finding Causes for Limb Loss:**

**What are the leading factors of limb loss for  
diabetic patients in the CNMI?**

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# Relevance and Local Importance

- Diabetic prevalence rankings
- Lack of resources and knowledge
- Recent sugar tax legislature
- Spreading knowledge for prevention and awareness purposes

# Literature Review

- Local resources on diabetes outreach and specific cases
- Pacific Island Countries research from a genetic and cultural perspective
- Studies on limb loss causation
- 2006 CNMI study with limb loss component

# Other Resources

- Peer review, English Learning Lab
- Library, NMC survey population, contacts
- Health professionals and diabetic patients

# Schedule

- 16 weeks
- On week 5

# Research Variables

The main variables will include diet, cultural influences on diet, stress, physical activity, maintaining weight and blood pressure, blood sugar level checks, proper medication, cultural perspective on reporting/discussing pain/injury, patient education, and prevention services (Shojaiefard, Khorgami, & Larijani, 2008).

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