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The National Foot and Ankle Registry (NFAR), is a clinical registry designed by foot and ankle surgeons to support research and education, including clinical benchmarking, to improve patient outcomes. NFAR data offers a comprehensive and unparalleled nationwide view specific to foot and ankle surgery.

Participant Benefits

- Monitor your patient outcomes such as complications or length of stay with your personalized dashboard.
- Benchmark against overall registry data.
- Integrate data collection into your existing workflows using data export from your EHR and import into NFAR.
- Create custom visualizations with report builder.
- Identify techniques and care approaches that enhance patient outcomes and improve team performance.
- Optimize operations, decrease readmissions and improve reimbursements through data-driven decisions.
- Contribute to the future advancement of the profession by contributing data that can be used for research specific to foot and ankle surgery.

Data Collected

NFAR uses modules to streamline data entry and collect information on variables necessary for addressing concerns of foot and ankle surgeons. Initial modules:

- Ankle Arthritis
- Ankle Fracture
- Hammer Toe
- Hallux Valgus

Participation

Only United States participating sites, participating physicians, and cases are eligible. To use NFAR, physician participants must be a member of ACFAS in good standing in one of the following membership categories:

1. **Fellow Member** - Board Certified by the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery (ABFAS)
2. **Associate Member** - Board Qualified by the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery (ABFAS). Not currently enrolled in a surgical fellowship program.
3. **Post Graduate Fellow Member** - ABFAS Board Qualified.

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Sites

NFAR sites are defined as an entity, such as a large group practice, private practice, community hospital, academic medical centers, etc., using one medical record system, with cases entered for surgeons within the entity.

- **Participating Site** - Entity (Hospital, Practice, etc.). All entity locations with the same EHR configuration. If different locations use different EHR configurations, a site is required for each group of locations with EHR configuration.
- **Participating Physician** - A physician (NPI) whose cases are submitted into NFAR.
- **Participant Data** - Data submitted to NFAR by the participant.

Fee Schedule

Participation fees are based on sites. All participating sites agree to pay registry fees in full to allow access to NFAR.

Set-up Fee. A one-time set-up fee of \$500 includes:

- Activation of the site's NFAR account.
- Initial training
- Assistance with mapping the data uploader with the site and registry platform for seamless data transfer.

Annual Fee. A site's annual fee is based on the number of physicians participating at the site:

- 1 – 5 ACFAS members = \$2,000
- > 5 ACFAS members = \$400 for each additional member
- For multiple sites or multi-year discounts, please contact ACFAS for pricing at: Registry@acfas.org

Billing/Payment.

- Set-up fee and 1st year's annual fee billed upon completion of participation agreement.
- Participating Sites billed annually 30 days before the current term expiration.
- Payment is due within 30 days of invoice date. If payment is not received by ACFAS within 60 days of invoice date, site access to NFAR will be deactivated until the fee has been received by ACFAS.

Grant Support for New Sites

- New sites are eligible for a one-time grant of \$2,500 made possible by The Podiatry Foundation, removing the startup cost for the first year of participation.
- If the site receives grant support, the site agrees to log all applicable cases into the registry.

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Security

- NFAR is a HIPAA compliant, secure and confidential national database of foot and ankle surgery procedures. Data available from NFAR is a Limited Data Set, as defined under the HIPAA Privacy Rule.
- The NFAR platform vendor participates in SSAE 18, SOC1, Type 2 or SOC2, and Type 2 audits of the data center where NFAR is hosted.

Registration

Thank you for your interest in the ACFAS National Foot and Ankle Registry (NFAR).

To participate in NFAR, please complete the [online application form](#). Please ensure all requested fields are completed to avoid delays in processing and approval. You will be contacted by a member of our staff within two business days.

WCG Institutional Review Board has determined that NFAR meets the requirements for a waiver of consent. However, if your local IRB requires you submit for further review, please contact us to obtain the necessary documents that are required for your submission.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us at Registry@acfas.org.