

Course Objectives

MedBridge

Evaluating Patients with Amputations

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Course Description:

Proper documentation is necessary to create a plan of care for any patient population, as well as to justify treatment. Patients with amputations are a specific subpopulation with their own characteristics that require the appropriate attention to assist with treatment and patient education. The following presentation will address the components of an inclusive evaluation for patients with amputations. By focusing on subjective and objective intakes, as well as appropriate functional outcomes measures, the physical therapist will be better prepared to assist with goal setting and patient expectations. A thorough evaluation will provide the foundation for a successful plan of care.

Course objectives:

- Define the three key elements of the subjective portion of an evaluation for patients with amputations.
- Define the three key elements of the objective portion of an evaluation for patients with amputations.
- Name three appropriate functional outcomes measures that can be used to evaluate a patient with an amputation.
- State three typical goals for a patient with an amputation.