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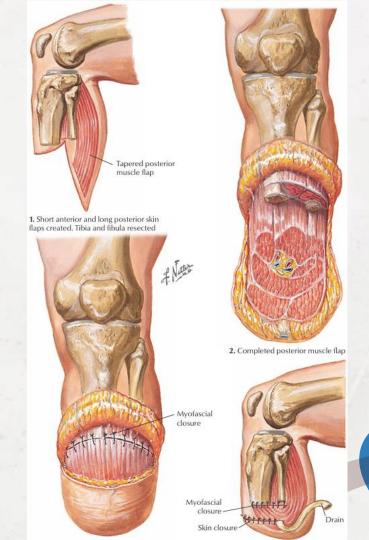
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Transtibial Prosthetics

(I) Initial Evaluation and Examination

1- Physical Examination:

Inspection and Palpation: Check the limb by looking and feeling.

Muscle Performance: Test muscles using manual muscle testing (MMT).



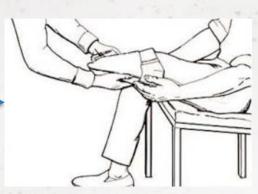


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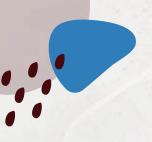
1- Physical Examination:

Range of Motion (ROM): Assess both active (user moves) and passive (examiner moves) movements.

Sensory Testing and Skin Assessment: Check skin condition and sensitivity.







(2) Collaboration in Prosthetic Rehabilitation

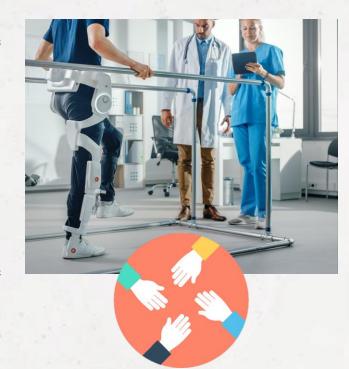


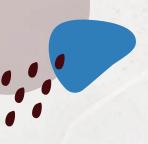
Teamwork is Key:

Involvement: Rehabilitation involves the combined efforts of the physician, therapist, prosthetist, and the patient.

Importance: Each person provides essential information and support.

Outcome: Working together ensures the best possible results for the patient.





(3) Prosthetic Candidacy

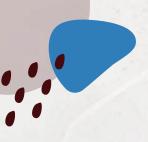


1- Motivation:

Meaning: The individual's determination and belief are important.

Role: A strong will to succeed helps in the rehabilitation process.





(3) Prosthetic Candidacy



2- Support System:

Peer Support: Interactions with others who have undergone similar experiences provide invaluable advice and encouragement.



Online Resources: Websites and support groups offer additional help and information.



(4) Challenges and Solutions in Prosthetic Rehabilitation

1- Dealing with Comorbidities:

Meaning: Amputations often come with other health issues.

Solution: Address these additional complications for better rehabilitation.



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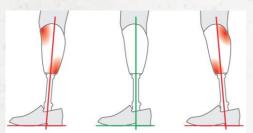
2- Customization:

Skin Issues: Use appropriate materials for comfort.

Pressure Points: Adjust the socket to relieve pressure.

Limb Dysfunction: Use specialized prosthetic options.







(4) Challenges and Solutions in Prosthetic Rehabilitation

3- One Size Doesn't Fit All:

Physical Fit: Ensure the prosthesis fits well.

Functional Fit: Align the prosthesis functionality with the user's specific needs.





(5) Prosthesis Design – Striking the Right Balance



1- Weight vs. Functionality:

Challenge: Adding features to a prosthesis can make it heavier.

Impact: Increased weight can lead to more energy use and fatigue.





(5) Prosthesis Design – Striking the Right Balance



2- Materials and Techniques:

Advancements: Modern designs use new materials and techniques.

Benefits: These advancements improve mobility and energy efficiency.



(6) Predicting Functional Outcomes

Positive Outlook: Most people with transtibial amputations can regain their previous level of function.

Special Attention: Certain health conditions or complications might need extra care.





(7) Classifying Functional Potential – The K–Levels



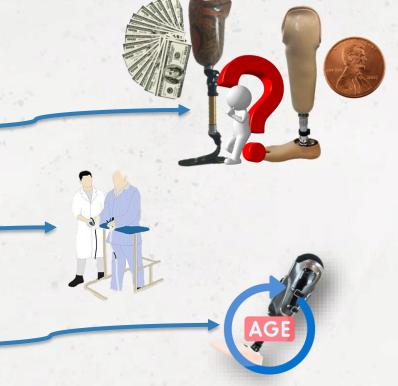
K-levels are a system used to determine a person's functional ability for prosthetic use.

K-levels help ensure:

Correct Prosthesis: Matching the right prosthesis to the user's abilities.

Individual Rehabilitation: Aiding in the user's rehabilitation process.

Medicare Regulation: Helping regulate Medicare provisions for prosthetics.





- 1) What is the cornerstone of the initial prosthetic evaluation and examination?
- a) Interview
- b) Setting rehabilitation goals
- c) Physical examination
- d) Collaboration with prosthetist

- 2) Which of the following is not a factor in determining prosthetic candidacy?
- a) Motivation
- b) Support system
- c) Weight of the prosthesis
- d) Health history



- 3) What does the classification of "K-levels" ensure?
- a) Proper weight distribution
- b) Correct alignment of prosthesis
- c) Right prosthesis prescribed for user's ability
- d) Customization of prosthetic designs

- 4) Why is customization important in prosthetic rehabilitation?
- a) Ensures a snug fit for the socket
- b) Proper range of motion
- c) High energy efficiency
- d) Aligns prosthesis functionality with individual needs



5) Which material is known for making prosthetics durable and lightweight?

- a) Steel
- b) Plastic
- c) Kevlar
- d) Aluminum

6) Why is the initial interview process important in prosthetic evaluation?

- a) To assess the physical condition of the patient
- b) To understand the patient's cognitive level and health history
- c) To begin manual muscle testing (MMT)
- d) To evaluate both active and passive range of motion (ROM)



7) Which component helps reducing pressure points in custom prosthetics?

- a) Suitable interface materials
- b) Lightweight materials
- c) Flexible double-spring keel
- d) Sensory testing

8) How does setting rehabilitation goals benefit the patient?

- a) Enhances energy efficiency
- b) Provides a clear path for achieving mobility and function
- c) Customizes prosthetic designs specific to an individual's needs
- d) Improves the durability of prosthetics



9) How does the collaboration between physicians, therapists, and prosthetists impact prosthetic rehabilitation?

- a) Creates a more durable prosthesis
- b) Ensures a cohesive and supportive rehabilitation process
- c) Reduces the need for manual muscle testing
- d) Simplifies the initial physical examination

10) What is the main purpose of including a fenestrated heel in prosthetics design?

- a) Enhancing pressure distribution
- b) Reducing shock
- c) Increasing the height of prosthetics
- d) Providing resistance to different footwear



11) What is the purpose of muscle performance testing in prosthetic evaluation?

- a) To assess the strength and function of individual muscles
- b) To check the condition of the skin
- c) To evaluate the cognitive level of the patient
- d) To measure the weight of the prosthesis

12) Which K-level describes a user with the ability for high-impact activities and agility?

- a) K0
- b) K1
- c) K2
- d) K4



13) Which of the following is a component of muscle performance?

- a) Sensitivity
- b) Flexibility
- c) Palpation
- d) Inspection

14) What is a key factor in determining prosthetic candidacy?

- a) Weight of the prosthesis
- b) Motivation of the individual
- c) Color of the prosthesis
- d) Brand of the prosthesis



15) Why is a support system important in prosthetic rehabilitation?

- a) Provides aesthetic enhancements
- b) Offers emotional and practical support
- c) Decreases the weight of the prosthesis
- d) Ensures proper skin care

16) What should be done if issues are noticed during sensory testing and skin assessment?

- a) Ignore the issues
- b) Adjust the prosthesis without consulting a professional
- c) Document the problem and notify a healthcare professional
- d) Stop wearing the prosthesis permanently.



