

Learning Objectives

MedBridge

A Longer Look at Amputation for Rehabilitation Nurses Cheryl Lehman, PhD, RN, CNS-BC, CRRN

Course Objectives:

- Compare and contrast the physical, functional and psychosocial effects of amputations due to varied causes including congenital, medical, and traumatic.
- Identify developmental needs of the infant, child, teen, and adult with an amputation.
- Differentiate the physical and rehabilitation implications of upper limb amputation from lower limb amputation.
- Analyze factors that may interfere with post-operative healing, prosthesis fitting, and rehabilitation in the person with diabetes and a lower limb amputation.
- Review the unique aspects of rehabilitation relative to prevention of complications and restoration of mobility for the person with an amputation.
- Evaluate the role of the rehabilitation nurse in the care of the person with a prosthetic device.
- Discuss the role of the rehabilitation nurse in providing education and support to the person with an amputation.