



## Understanding the role of healthcare providers

### Doctor:

- Provides information and linkages to other healthcare services
- Coordinates services
- Might be your GP or rehabilitation specialist

### Physiotherapist

- Assists you to regain balance and strength
- Teaches you how to use assistive technology aids
- Develops an exercise program that suits your needs
- Helps with your gait training program

### Prosthetist:

- Assess you for a prosthesis
- Manufacture, fit and supply you with a prosthesis (if you are a suitable candidate)
- Assists with gait training
- On-going repairs and maintenance of your prosthesis

### Occupational Therapist:

- Works with you to help you to adjust to daily living activities
- Assists with the fitting of Assistive Technology such as a wheelchair
- Teaches upper-limb tasks
- Assists with home and vehicle modifications



## You may also access

### Social Worker

- Advocates for you
- Assist you with financial problems
- Helps with community resources such as legal aid and accommodation

### Podiatrist

- Treats your feet and helps you to manage and maintain good foot healthcare

### Exercise Physiologist

- Will develop an exercise plan for your rehabilitation, general fitness or overall physical maintenance

### Psychologist

- Works with you to help you to overcome any emotional and mental-health issues relating to your limb loss

### Dietician

- Works with you to develop healthy meal planning options

### Diabetes Educator

- Helps you to manage living with diabetes
- Provides support and education to help you to better understand your condition

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