

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

- Provides education about living with and managing your diabetes Technology such as a wheelchair
- Teaches upper-limb tasks
- Assists with home and vehicle modifications

For more information or to request Peer Support call 1300 78 2231 or visit limbs4life.org.au