

**VA DESERT PACIFIC
HEALTHCARE NETWORK**



**Location: VA Long Beach Healthcare System Campus
Long Beach, CA**

Dates: January 16 - 17, 2003

3rd Annual Prosthetic Clinical Conference of the Affiliation for Clinical Excellence

Co-Sponsored by EES, Prosthetic Service Line & Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation VISN 22

Welcome Address:

Fred Downs, Chief Consultant, Prosthetics & Sensory Aids Service, VA Central Office

Hear presentations by world renown experts...

Jacquelin Perry, M.D.

Charles Radcliffe, P.hD.

John Michael, C.P.O. FAAOP,
& many more!

Participants: Physiatrists, Residents, Podiatrists, Orthopedists, Physical Therapists, Prosthetists, Orthotists, Kinesiotherapists, & all Clinical Staff

**Earn 13 Hrs Medical CEU's for ACCME,
ANCC/ Calif BRN and ABC Credits**



**Register before
December 1st, 2002
To confirm seating**

No charge to VA staff.

Clinical Non-VA Professionals may attend for a nominal fee.

Manufacturers may reserve display table space.

Make your hotel reservations early.

Should you have any questions regarding the meeting, e-mail Ed Ayyappa, at ed.ayyappa@med.va.gov Education, Edith Heilan, EES, 562 826-5505 Ext. 3987
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Long Beach Conference Hosts Notables !

Charles Radcliffe, Ph.D., will speak on the “Biomechanics of AK Amputee Gait.” O&P Business News reported that Dr. Radcliffe “is probably one of the most renowned experts and, arguably, the father of prosthetics biomechanics,...He was instrumental in his early work in the '50s and '60s in helping prosthetists understand the mechanical properties of human walking in amputees.”

Jacquelin Perry, M.D., Orthopedic Surgeon, professor of Orthopedic Surgery, University of Southern California will speak on “Prosthetic Foot Design for Below-Knee Amputation” Dr. Perry is a world famous expert on human ambulation and Founder of the legendary Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center Gait Lab

Eric Schmitter, M.D., Renowned Orthopedic Surgeon, Associate Professor of Orthopedics, UCLA School of Medicine

Ian L. Gordon, M.D., Chief, Vascular Surgery, Long Beach Health Care System,

Kay Cerny, Ph.D., Professor of Physical Therapy, California State University – Long Beach

3RD ANNUAL SEMINAR ON CURRENT CLINICAL CONCEPTS IN ORTHOTIC & PROSTHETIC REHABILITATION - 2003

This Annual Conference is packed with pertinent topics relevant of today's amputee and ambulatory treatment team. Reserve Space Now!

Target Audience

Amputee and Brace Clinic Team Members and support persons in the VA Health Care System: Orthopedic, Rehabilitation and Podiatric Physicians, PACT Case Managers, Residents; Therapists, Rehabilitation Personnel, Prosthetists, Orthotists and Medical Professionals concerned with the clinical treatment of amputees, patients at risk for amputation, and ambulatory patients with neurological and neuromuscular pathologies requiring bracing or orthotic soft goods.

Goals

1. Offer a standard of care model of prosthetic and orthotic prescription principles and clinical troubleshooting concepts.
2. Improve communication between clinic team members.
3. Present a treatment plan that incorporates gait assessment as a referral option to physicians and clinic team leaders.
4. Present recent advances in the treatment of ambulatory Neuro -muscular pathologies including spinal cord injury and cerebral vascular accident.
5. Present a standard of care for the orthotic treatment of the pathological, knee, ankle and foot.
6. To present a standard of care model for limb salvage and surgical intervention for the patient with dysvascular lower limb.
7. Present an overview of upper limb prosthetic prescription principles.

Objectives

1. Identify primary causes and prevention modalities for diabetic foot skin breakdown.
2. Identify advantages and disadvantages, indications and counter-indications, of protective devices available to prevent foot skin breakdown.
3. Understand basic prescription principles for orthotic devices used in the treatment of neuropathic and neuromuscular pathologies.
4. To understand and state the main principles of limb salvage, revascularization and surgical rehabilitation.
5. To understand basic prescription and treatment principles for major amputation levels.