



# Advances in Prosthetics for Amputees

A seminar by Exchange Chambers



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Wednesday 29th September 2010  
Park Plaza Hotel, Boar Lane, City Square, Leeds LS1 5NS

**This seminar is designed to keep solicitors abreast of the latest advances in the management of amputee cases. Technology continues to advance and prosthetic innovation for both upper and lower limb amputees continues to be hugely important in maximising their rehabilitation, meanwhile the cost of those advances continues to increase. Any solicitor handling an amputee case should take the opportunity of making sure he is fully informed on the latest advances.**

## **Programme**

**1.30-1.55pm Registration and coffee**

**1.55pm – 2pm Welcome and Introduction – Gerard Martin QC, Exchange Chambers**

Gerard Martin QC specialises in catastrophic injury work for Claimants and for the last 17 years has had a particular interest in upper and lower limb amputee cases and the advances there have been in the rehabilitation available.

**2pm – 2.30pm Amputee Rehabilitation – Dr Ernest Van Ross, Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine**

Dr Ernest Van Ross is a consultant physician specialising in rehabilitation of the amputee. He retired from the NHS in 2009 but continues to practice and do medico-legal work at PACE Rehabilitation. He has published papers on wound healing and the 'diabetic' foot.

He will talk about Medical aspects of amputee rehabilitation and current trends in amputation surgery. He will discuss confounding factors that hinder rehabilitation and delay the claim.'

**2.30pm – 3pm Latest Advances in Prosthetic equipment for upper and lower limb amputees – Toby Carlsson, HPC Registered Prosthetist/Orthotist**

Toby Carlsson is a HPC Registered Prosthetist/Orthotist who deals primarily with trauma cases and has extensive experience of working with the most up to date hardware and methods. He has also been providing medico-legal opinions for both claimant and defendants for many years.

**3pm – 3.30pm Psychological implications of amputation and associated treatment- Dr Keren Fisher, Clinical Psychologist at Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore**

Dr Keren Fisher is one of the few clinical psychologists in the UK with a special interest in the care of the amputee. She practices at the Stanmore NHS clinic. She has published papers on disability, pain and the return to work following amputation.

**3.30pm – 4pm Afternoon Tea**

**4pm – 4.30pm The Amputee Experience Jon- Allan Butterworth – Prosthetic user**

Jon-Allan Butterworth is a former RAF serviceman who sustained a transhumeral amputation, as a result of an RPG explosion in Iraq. He is a member of the British Paralympic cycling development squad and regularly participates in motorcycle track days using a prosthetic device.

**4.30pm – 5pm The litigation Experience, the size of an award for upper and lower limb claims and interim payments- Gerard Martin QC Exchange Chambers**

Gerard Martin will discuss the value of a typical claim for both upper and lower limb cases.

**5pm – 5.20pm Final words, questions and close**



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