

CC29 Physiotherapy - Prosthetics

Purpose

1. To ensure all participants who are fitted with and required to wear a prosthetic device/aid are encouraged and able to do so.

Alignment with Practice Standards

1. Module 2: Provider Governance and Operational Management
2. Module 3: Provision of Supports
3. High Intensity Daily Personal Activities

Legislative Alignment

1. National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013
2. Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (Cth)
3. Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011 (Cth)

Key Responsible Executive

Chief Executive Officer

For More Support

Head of Multidisciplinary Care

Policy Statement

1. This policy applies to Management, Physiotherapist, allied health assistants, nursing staff, and care staff.
2. A prosthetic is defined as any device or aid required by an individual participant to ensure: maximum sensory perception, mobilisation, communication, appearance, dignity and personal pride is maintained.

Procedures

1. The registered nurse will be responsible for documentation, in consultation with the participant or participant's representative during intake of prosthetic requirements.
2. The registered nurse will be responsible for requesting physiotherapy review or assessment.

3. Physiotherapist will be responsible for review and or assessment re suitability of prosthetic aids if applicable.
4. Allied health assistant will be responsible for ongoing assessment under the guidance of the Physiotherapist.
5. All care staff will be responsible to ensure participants who are required to wear a prosthetic are encouraged and assisted to do so.
6. Care staff are responsible for bringing to the attention of the registered nurse any damaged, faulty or ill-fitting prosthetic.
7. Care staff will be aware of individual participant's requirements regarding prosthetic devices/aids and ensure participants are in possession of or utilising the same when required.

References to other SAVVY policies

1. CS3.5 Participant Record Management
2. HR4.17 Information Technology

References to other external materials

1. Personal care and clinical procedures manual

Supporting documentation

1. Initial assessment – physiotherapist
2. Nurses' continuation notes
3. Care and service plan
4. Mobility Assessment
5. Initial assessment report – Physiotherapist (if appropriate)
6. Progress report – Physiotherapist/physiotherapy nurse (if appropriate)

Version Control

1. 1 April 2023 - New Policy Creation