

Support Information for Amputees & Families

What are the resources available at the University of Michigan?

Amputee Support Group

Orthotics and Prosthetics Center 2850 S. Industrial Hwy., Suite 400 Ann Arbor, MI 48104 734-975-7449 http://www.med.umich.edu/pmr/op/amp.htm

Open to **all** amputees and family members. Group meets the **first Tuesday of each month**, 5:30—7:30 pm at above address. Join us with your questions or concerns and to share the knowledge you've gained. We try to have a speaker each month but have time to talk with other members of the group to share life experiences, new adventures and lots of laughs. For more information, call the number above or visit our web site.

Limb Loss Support Coordinator

- Provides information and support.
- Visits patients in the hospital before and/or after an amputation; can coordinate a visit with a certified peer visitor (someone with a similar amputation).
- Co-facilitates the monthly UM Amputee Support Group. For more information or to arrange a visit, tell your nurse or unit host or call 734-975-7449.

Are there any other support groups in Michigan?

Visit the ACA (below) or the UM Amputee Support Group web site for active

Department of Orthotics & Prosthetics (734) 973-2400 - 1 - support groups in Michigan. Call 734-975-7449 or see our Resource Guide, http://www.med.umich.edu/pmr/op/amp.htm

Are there any national support groups? Amputee Coalition of America (ACA) 900 East Hill Avenue, Suite 205 Knoxville, Tennessee 37915-2566 888-267-5669 http://www.amputee-coalition.org/

The Amputee Coalition of America (ACA), a national, non-profit amputee consumer educational organization, represents people who have had amputation or were born with limb differences. The ACA includes individual amputees, amputee education and support groups for amputees, professionals, family members and friends of amputees, limb loss or amputation related agencies, and organizations. You can access the ACA Resource Center through their web site or by calling the number above. You can talk to ACA staff who can answer questions and give information; give national support group information; and arrange for you to talk with an amputee (peer visitor) with similar circumstances.

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