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Segway Seminar Segway Seminar Segway Seminar



Health professionals working with people with mobility issues took the opportunity to personally test-drive the Segway at **REHABTech** on 11 July.

The electrically powered, precisely balance controlled mobility device is believed to be an ideal adjunct to many with mobility issues.

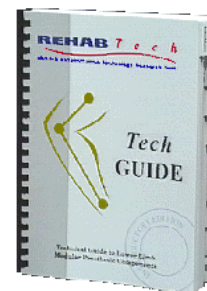
Attendees and Supporters will soon have a "guidelines document" available from **REHABTech**. This document outlines some of the areas that will need to be considered with the use of the device for those with mobility issues.

Valerie Mead, Head of Occupational Therapy, CGMC, drives the Segway under instruction from Michael Mote of DGB International.

TechGUIDE Update (at June 2003)

Since April 2002 over 350 unique items were added to the lower limb prosthetic **TechGUIDE**. This has brought the total number of unique items in the lower limb prosthetic component **TechGUIDE** alone to over 8000. Over 80% of the newly added components have met the required Standards to be marked as inclusive to the **TechGUIDE** such as: the component is manufactured/supplied by an ISO9000 company, it meets required test standards such as ISO10328 and is registered with the Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), having provided the required information.

Conversely during the same period we have removed more than 270 items from the inclusive list for a number of reasons, including superseded components and items withdrawn from the Australian market. The **TechGUIDE** is briefly available for public access at the following URL:
<http://www.monash.edu.au/rehabtech/pub/techgui.htm>



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REHABTech Services Update

At this stage we are negotiating future service arrangements with those State and Territory ALS Managers who have requested that **REHABTech** services continue beyond 30 June, 2003. Many thanks go to all of those who have written letters of support.

- MoU/Letters of Support have been received from New South Wales, Tasmania, Northern Territory, Australian Capital Territory and South Australia.
- Queensland Health has formally declined to participate.
- A verbal assurance has been received from Western Australia and we are awaiting a written response.
- No response, to date, has been recorded from Victorian Department of Human Services.

Please check **REHABTech** website for changes as they occur.

Positions Vacant — Job WATCH

Please visit our website <http://rehabtech.eng.monash.edu.au/rehabtech/employment.asp>

for detailed information on vacancies as they occur.

For those who have this web site bookmarked, please note the changes in the URL—**REHABTech** has recently completed new employment pages. All positions vacant will be advertised on this site. Position descriptions for advertising on the **TechLINK** and **REHABTech** website can now be dynamically submitted via the web at <http://rehabtech.eng.monash.edu.au/rehabtech/employment.asp>. Position descriptions can also be directed to AOPA website via this submission. To have position descriptions directed to your website please contact us for further information.

Orthotist/Prosthetist and Prosthetic Technician/Sydney

Vacancies exist for a prosthetist/orthotist with clinical and fabrication experience and a prosthetic bench technician at the Appliance and Limb Centre (International) Pty Ltd, Redfern.

For further information telephone (02) 9319 1955/
fax (02) 9698 1281 or email alc@alc.com.au
Enquiries: Rudi Dollar or Eugenio Scanu.

Orthotist/Brisbane

Orthotist required, qualified or graduate, for private orthotic facility.

Please send CV to:
GB Orthopaedics, Mater Community Services
Building, Level 1/Suite 1,
39 Annerley Road,
South Brisbane Qld 4101.

COMING EVENTS

Calendar of events – now on the web – www.monash.edu.au/rehabtech

23 August, 2003	ICTA-Asia Pacific Meeting, Sydney <i>Education in Access and Technology</i> Email rcatmak@inet.polyu.edu.hk http://www.ictaglobal.org
24–29 August, 2003	World Congress on Medical Physics & Biomedical Engineering, Sydney Contact: Tour Hosts Pty Ltd telephone (02) 9248 0800/fax (02) 9248 0894 or email wc2003@tourhosts.com.au

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