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Registrations

now open ...

The **Clinical Management of Upper Limb Amputees Course** will run at CGMC from 4–8 April, 2005.

This 5-day intensive AFRM and AOPA accredited Course is designed to address the needs of rehabilitation registrars, prosthetists, physiotherapists, and occupational therapists working with amputee clients.

Early Bird Fee \$790 available till Monday, 28 February

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Details on our website at
Calendar of Events

Tsunami Volunteer Efforts

Since the tragic events of the 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami, **REHABTech** has received numerous enquiries from rehabilitation health professionals asking how they can contribute their particular expertise to assist victims. What follows is a brief summary of known activities to date:

- AOPA and Engineers Australia (College of BME, NCRE) have already had meeting and are coordinating a response or list of personnel and skills related to P&O or Rehabilitation Engineering (respectively).
- The Australian Health Disaster Management Policy Committee (AHD-MPC) will be largely responsible for coordinating Australia's official response (see below) and of course a number of NGOs will also have their own requirements.
- Excerpt below from <http://www.health.gov.au/internet/wcms/publishing.nsf/Content/health-mediarel-yr2005-dept-dept05002>)

"Professor Horvath said from the first day of the Tsunami health authorities from the Commonwealth and all States and Territories have been teleconferencing at least twice daily to facilitate the Australian effort through the Australian Health Disaster Management Policy Committee (AHD-MPC).

"The strength of this group, which is chaired by the Australian Department of Health and Ageing, is that it can bring together at short notice all State and Territory Chief Health Officers and relevant medical support services to rapidly plan and mount appropriate responses to a health emergency. Professor Horvath went on to say, 'The national tsunami health response is testament to how well this system works.'

Professor Horvath pointed out that the civilian health response is being coordinated by AusAID with management of the teams and their logistical support from Emergency Management Australia (EMA)."

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Job WATCH

Kew, Victoria—Two Positions

Prosthetist/Orthotist

Grade 1, Locum Full-time, Position No. 540
The Orthotic & Prosthetic Dept of Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre provides clinical services to all campuses of Austin Health including orthopaedic, spinal cord injuries and amputee rehabilitation units. Inpatient services extend to ongoing community management through a range of programs.

Orthotic/Prosthetic Technician

Grade 1, Permanent Full-time, Position No. 542
The Orthotic & Prosthetic Dept of Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre provides a range of custom-made devices, requiring highly developed technical skills, component knowledge and manufacturing techniques.

Qualified applicants with organisational skills and ability to work independently and as team members should contact Bill Marmaras on (03) 9496 4666 or email bill.marmaras@austin.org.au
[Closing date for both positions: 31 January, 2005]

For the latest positions and detailed information on vacancies as they occur, visit our website:
Just follow the links from our home page: www.monash.edu.au/rehabtech

COMING EVENTS

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

11 February, 2005	Wheelchair Safety & Standards Monitoring Third National Symposium in Brisbane. For details, contact Nina Lenz via fax (02) 6273 2358 or mail 11 National Ct., Barton ACT 2600.
14–18 February, 2005	Lower Limb Prosthetics & Amputee Rehabilitation Victoria Annual Course at Caulfield General Medical Centre for rehab health professionals interested in team management of amputee clients. Contact REHABTech
4 March, 2005	Material Science & Handling Technician Course REHABTech Supporter Course — contact us at (03) 9905 3466.
4–8 April, 2005	Clinical Management of Upper Limb Amputees Victoria Annual Course for rehab health professionals with focus on team management of amputee clients. Register now for early bird fee on (03) 9905 4145 at REHABTech .
Dates to be announced	REHABTech Videoconference Lecture Series 2005 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Stance Control Orthoses▪ The Science Behind Gel Liners▪ Charcot Foot—Orthotic management of diabetic neuropathic arthropathy▪ Unique Upper Limb Prosthetic Cases

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