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Important Notice - Trans Tibial Upper Housing Adaptor – Endolite 339008 and 339009

More information including the links to MDA (United Kingdom) where the warning originates can be found in the TechGUIDE pages on the web. "339008 and 339009 - Trans Tibial Upper Housing Adaptor - Blatchford Endolite":
<http://www.ctie.monash.edu.au/rehabtech/techguide/indexg.htm>

For amputees above 100 Kg who are active walkers or amputees above 90 Kg who are sports participants. The upper housing should be replaced with a new housing and the alignment access slot positioned on the medial side. Refer to MDA SN 1999 (09) or Endolite Technical Bulletin No.10. *****Not to be used with Bilateral amputees of all weights. If fitted to such amputees it should be replaced. Refer to MDA SN 2000 (16) or Endolite Technical Bulletin No.12.*****

PARALYMPIC WEB SITE

Dr Brendan Burkett OAM, Lecturer in Sport Science (Biomechanics) Faculty of Science University of the Sunshine Coast and compiler /editor of the ISIB website is seeking input.

The site is an excellent opportunity for you to promote your work in Paralympic sport, from essential tidbits that you have found to advice for other coaches in the field or to promote any conference or course that you have coming up. The address is:

<http://www.education.ed.ac.uk/paralympics/index.html>

<http://www.education.ed.ac.uk/cis/>

If you would like to use this site please send the topics that you wish to publish to Dr Brendan Burkett OAM

e-mail: bburkett@usc.edu.au This site is designed to improve the performances of all Paralympians.

Two Day Seating and Positioning Workshop

A multidisciplinary workshop focussing on therapeutic and functional aspects of seating for people with disabilities will be held on Thursday 22 and Friday 23 March 2001 at the ILC (VIC).

(Presented by Penny Knudson OT (Hills Therapy Services, NSW) and colleagues.)

This workshop addresses theoretical and practical aspects of seating for people with disabilities, and provides an overview of recent relevant research and literature including information on outcomes. Topics include the mechanics of seating, pressure care, seating assessment and solutions, and seating for people with abnormal reflexes and muscle tone.

Venue: Independent Living Centre, 705 Geelong Road, Brooklyn, Melbourne. Cost: \$300 (incl. GST, extensive workshop handbook and refreshments) Contact Sheelagh Waldron for further information and for registration form. Phone (03) 9362 6120 NB Places are limited.

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Vale Morris Thompson

Morris Thompson passed away late last year. He was one of the keys in establishing the Lower Limb Prosthetics Course held annually in NSW. Condolences go to his family and friends.

JOB WATCH- Further details on the REHABTech website

Radiotherapy Mould Room Technician (Temporary Position)

Orthotist / Prosthetist Grade 1

An opportunity exists for a grade one Prosthetist/Orthotist to fill a 6 month temporary position in the Mould Room of the Radiotherapy Department at our East Melbourne campus.

It is desirable but not essential that the successful candidate should have at least 2 years post graduate experience as an orthotist. Enquires and Applications: Claire Fitzpatrick Deputy Director of Radiation Therapy Services on : (03)9656 1426

Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute
Locked Bag 1, A'Beckett Street Victoria
8006.

Enquires accepted until March 16th, 2001

Orthotist - 2 positions GB Orthopaedics (QLD) submitted 14/02/2001

GB Orthopaedics, is seeking the services of an experienced and enthusiastic Orthotist. There are essentially two positions on offer, one in Townsville, North Queensland and the other in the Brisbane CBD area. Together with its permanently placed satellite facility in Townsville, almost the entire seaboard of Queensland enjoys the services rendered by GB Orthopaedics. It is desirable that the successful candidate have at least 2 years post graduate experience as an Orthotist. Further information can be obtained by contacting Ms Michelle Carlevaro by email on ils@ils.com.au. Written applications can be forwarded to: Ms Michelle Carlevaro, Australian Medical Assistants, PO Box 1571, Milton QLD 4064. or by email (ils@ils.com.au)

Prosthetist Grade 2 (Part-time) Ballarat Health Service

Part time opportunity for a Prosthetist in country Victoria.

The Ballarat Health Services (BHS) Prosthetics and Orthotics department is looking for an enthusiastic, organised prosthetist to fill a part time Grade 2 position. It is for two days a week on a permanent basis. The department is a new, spacious, purpose built facility, situated within a state-of-the-art rehabilitation setting. The work involves definitive prosthetic work. BHS is the region's VALP provider as well as providing prosthetic services to a large group of compensable amputees. Our client group ranges in age from 4 to 95.

Locum Orthotist Ballarat Health Services

The Prosthetics and Orthotics department is also looking for an enthusiastic orthotist to fill a locum position for 11 weeks from 7 May till 27 July 2001. This is a grade 2 position and involves all aspects of clinical work, some administration and some management tasks. It is a busy department in a medium sized rehabilitation setting where the majority of clients are outpatients with a wide range of pathologies and includes paediatric as well as adult work.

For further information please contact:

Rowan English, Ph: (03) 5320 3878, Peter Lendfers or Anneke Deutsch on Ph: 03) 5320 3710; or email:

rowane@bhs.grampianshealth.org.au.

COMING EVENTS

22nd -23rd March 2001	Independent Living Centre (Victoria) presents: Two Day Seating and Positioning Workshop (See above)
1 st - 6 th July 2001	10 th World Congress of the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics, Glasgow, Scotland ispo@meetingmakers.co.uk

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