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Hold on to Hope!

Tori Martin

UNDERSTANDING K LEVELS

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Functional Level 0

NO PROSTHESIS - NON AMBULATOR

Individual does not demonstrate the ability or potential to ambulate or transfer safely with or without assistance. A prosthesis does not enhance the quality of life or mobility for the individual.

Functional Level 1

BASIC PROSTHESIS - HOUSEHOLD AMBULATOR

Individual demonstrates the ability or potential to ambulate or transfer with a prosthesis on level surfaces and at a fixed cadence.

Functional Level 2

BASIC PROSTHESIS - LIMITED COMMUNITY AMBULATOR

Individual demonstrates the ability or potential to ambulate with a prosthesis and portrays the ability or potential to traverse low level environmental barriers including curbs, stairs, and uneven surfaces.

Functional Level 3

INTERMEDIATE PROSTHESIS - COMMUNITY AMBULATOR

Individual demonstrates the ability or potential to ambulate with a prosthesis at variable cadences and portrays the ability to traverse environmental barriers. Individuals may demonstrate the ability to participate in vocational, therapeutic, or exercise activities beyond simple locomotion with the use of a prosthesis.

Functional Level 4

ADVANCED PROSTHESIS - ACTIVE AMBULATOR

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