

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Facing an Amputation

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	IF YOU HAVE A STOMACH PROBLEM YOU WOULDN'T GO TO AN EYE SPECIALIST WOULD YOU? CHOOSING THE RIGHT DOCTOR IS IMPORTANT. TAKE AMPUTATION. IT'S AN OPERATION THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE FACE EVERY YEAR, BECAUSE OF COMPLICATIONS FROM DIABETES.
Tom Shives, M.D. Track 1 (8:16)	"I THINK THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS TO FIND A SURGEON WHO HAS DONE A FAIR NUMBER OF THESE."
	AND PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT ACCORDING TO DR. TOM SHIVES,

	<p>AN ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON AT MAYO CLINIC. THAT'S IMPORTANT, BECAUSE AN AMPUTATION DONE INCORRECTLY CAN GREATLY AFFECT THE FIT AND FUNCTION OF A PROSTHESIS.</p>
<p>Dr. Shives Track 1 (6:42)</p>	<p>"IF YOU DO AN AMPUTATION BELOW THE KNEE, IF THE OPERATION'S DONE APPROPRIATELY AND YOU FIT THE PATIENT WITH A GOOD PROSTHETIC DEVICE, MOST PEOPLE WILL HARDLY KNOW THAT IN FACT, THEY HAVE AN AMPUTATION."</p>
	<p>AND THAT'S JUST ONE REASON DR. SHIVES REALLY CONSIDERS AMPUTATION NOT A DESTRUCTIVE OPERATION, BUT A RECONSTRUCTIVE ONE.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN</p>

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