



**Traumatic Amputation QUERI Workshop:
Setting the Agenda for Evidence Based Best Practices and Quality Improvement Efforts**

May 19-20, 2004

Wednesday, May 19th

- 7:00-8:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:00-8:30 Film Showing: "Our Turn to Serve: Looking After Our Newest Veterans"
- 8:30-9:00 Welcoming remarks
- Deputy CRADO Mindy Aisen, MD
 - RR&D Acting Director Robert Ruff, MD, PhD
 - HSR&D Director John Demakis, MD
- 9:00-9:30 Traumatic Amputation: War Theatre to Medical Treatment Facility (MTF)
- Overview talk re: evacuation, treatment stages and secondary issues including co-morbidities, complications, psychological aspects, and other barriers to rehabilitation
Paul Pasquina, MD, LTC, MC
Chief, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Service
Walter Reed Army Medical Center
- 9:30-9:40 Q&A discussion
- 9:40-10:10 Maintaining continuum of care: MTF to the VA
- Overview talk re: transitioning care from MTFs to VA including access to care, follow-up, available resources and room for improvement
Frederick Downs
Chief Consultant Prosthetics
Department of Veterans Affairs

Joseph Czerniecki, MD
Associate Director
VA Center of Excellence for Limb Loss Prevention and Prosthetic Engineering
- 10:10-10:20 Q&A discussion
- 10:20-10:40 BREAK (foyer)
- 10:40-11:10 Traumatic Amputation: Where are we going in research?
- Overview of ongoing clinical, rehabilitation & outcomes research
Robert Gailey, PhD, PT
Miami VA Medical Center
University of Miami School of Medicine

11:10-11:20	Q&A discussion
11:20-11:50	Quality Enhancement Research Initiative (QUERI): Mission, Structure, and Activities
11:50-12:10	Q&A discussion
12:10-12:30	Systematic reviews of amputation healthcare: Overview and examples
12:30-1:00	Charge to Working Groups, review of process and logistics
1:00-2:00	LUNCH (on your own)
2:00-3:30	Amputation Clinical Working Groups <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Access to Healthcare/Resources e in VA 2. Prosthetic Prescriptions – who gets/needs which prosthesis? 3. Prosthetic Fitting – how do we ensure proper fitting and adjustments? 4. Amputee Rehabilitation – what steps are needed/must be taken to achieve maximum function? 5. Comorbidities, Complications and Psychosocial Issues Associated with Traumatic Amputation

**Participants in each Clinical Group outline necessary steps, activities, and resources to comprise a complete QUERI process in their area. Clinical Groups then join Methods Groups 1-4 in order to learn the QUERI process. On Day Two, Clinical Groups will reconvene to outline a complete QUERI process in their clinical area, representing a component of a single overall Traumatic Amputation QUERI Center.*

3:30-3:45	BREAK (foyer)
3:45-5:15	QUERI Methods Working Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steps 1/2: clinical priorities and best practice recommendations • Step 3 (and M): current practices and quality gaps and their determinants; data/methods needs • Step 4/5/6 (and M): improvement programs and evaluation; data/methods needs • Step C: clinical research (evidence) needs
6:00	DINNER (restaurant in vicinity)

Thursday, May 20th

7:00-8:00	Continental Breakfast
8:00-10:50	Clinical Working Groups reconvene
10:00	Morning Break in Breakout Rooms
11:00-11:30	Clinical Working Group Report: Group 1, Access to Healthcare/Resources in VA (includes 20 minute presentation and 10 min Q&A)
11:30-12:00	Clinical Working Group Report: Group 2, Prosthetic Prescriptions
12:00-12:30	Clinical Working Group Report: Group 3, Prosthetic Fitting and Adjustments
12:30-1:30	LUNCH (on your own)

- 1:30 Coffee and dessert served in the back of the plenary room
- 1:30-2:00 Clinical Working Group Report: Group 4, Amputee Rehabilitation
- 2:00-2:30 Clinical Working Group Report: Group 5, Comorbidities, Complications and Psychosocial Issues associated with Traumatic Amputation
- 2:30-3:30 Summary, Conclusions, and Next Steps
- “Bird’s Eye” overview of possible Traumatic Amputation QUERI addressing all 5 issues
 - Facilitated large group discussion to address overlaps and identify any gaps remaining in Clinical Group plans
 - Plans for further development and coordination of activities
 - Announcement of Traumatic Amputation QUERI and other solicitations