

## EVALUATION

# PROTOCOL

### Holistic Approach

Occupational therapy has the unique ability to use a holistic approach when evaluating patients. The OTPF states occupational therapy's distinct value focuses on the whole rather than the isolated aspects of human functioning. It is important to not only consider physical aspects but the social and emotional implications that coincide with limb loss.

(AOTA, 2020;  
Smurr et al., 2008)

### Family

### Involvement

If it is possible, have the family present during the evaluation. This can give better insight as to how much family can assist the patient once home and what kind of education they will need before returning home.

### Eval Protocol

- Client's current status
- Occupational history
- Desired targeted outcomes
- Habits, routines, roles
- Current living status
  - Family/caregiver support
- Clients psychosocial status
- Analysis of Occupational Performance
  - Range of motion (ROM)
  - Manual muscle testing (MMT)
- Outcome measure selection
- Wound description
- Sensitivity to the residual limb
  - (hypersensitive/hyposensitive)
- Phantom Limb Pain

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