

*From patient to Social Media Adviser!*

## Meet Brian Moser

De La Torre's new Social Media Adviser has battled insurmountable odds to get where he is today!

08/13/12 - Admitted to ER in septic shock with multiple organ failure as a result of a medical error.

08/14/12- Underwent an emergency, lifesaving left transtibial (below knee) amputation.

7 days in ICU  
7 months in a nursing home

10/01/12 - Suffered significant trauma to my residual limb after being dropped by nursing home staff who neglected to lock wheelchair during transfer. Became septic within 24 hours, readmitted to hospital for a week and had two additional surgeries to repair my residual limb and eliminate infection.

03/24/13 - Discharged from nursing home!

05/13/13 - Underwent revision surgery on my residual limb after **Osteomyelitis** was found in bone.

11/01/14 - Returned to Western, PA.

**01/2015 - Started my life changing journey with De La Torre Orthotics & Prosthetics.**

During the summer of 2016, I mentioned to my **prosthetist, Drew Buffat, CP**, De La Torre's Director of Prosthetics, that their social media presence was lacking.

A few weeks later I was sitting in a meeting explaining how a strong social media presence could help the company and...

My responsibilities include managing the **Facebook, twitter, instagram** accounts with content related to the **prosthetics department** and directed to the amputee



*Brian and "Buddy"*

community.

I attend monthly staff meetings, presenting ideas, offering and receiving feedback. I communicate with our Certified Prosthetists to obtain media to use for social media accounts, attend in house trainings to stay current on the latest **prosthetic trends, components, devices** and anything else I'm asked to do!

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## Amp Up for January!

January Meeting Date

Pittsburgh Amputee Support Group

Date: Tuesday, January 17th

Time: 6:30PM-8:00PM

Topic: AMP 30 Research Study

Location: **UPMC Mercy South Side Outpatient Center**

2000 Mary Street


Pittsburgh PA, 15203

1st Floor Conference Rooms #1 and #2

Need more information?

Contact Tracie at 412-215-6926

or **visit the website.**



**Amp Up!!**  
(Pittsburgh Amputee Support Group)

**Mission statement:** We exist to provide support and information beyond the hospital setting for current and past patients in order to provide improved community re-entry and resources. We strive to enhance quality of life to promote a healthier and happier well-being through a continuum of health care services.


**Date:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017

**Place:** UPMC Mercy South Side Outpatient Center  
2000 Mary Street, Pittsburgh PA, 15203  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Rooms #1 and #2

**Time:** 6:30pm – 8:00pm

**Speaker:** Amy Steele, RN, MSN, CCRC  
Clinical Research and Regulatory Coordinator  
University of Pittsburgh Department of Plastic Surgery  
UPMC Center for Innovation in Restorative Medicine (CIRM)

**Topic:** Amp 30 Research Study  
Regenerative Therapy for Treating Pain at Amputation Sites

  
University of Pittsburgh

As always:

- \*Free parking in the patient & visitor lot located on 20<sup>th</sup> & Jane Street
- \*\*Light refreshments will be provided

Please contact Tracie at 412-215-6926 with questions or check out [www.upmc.com/ampup](http://www.upmc.com/ampup) for more information.

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## No Limits Weekend - March 3-5, 2017



**No Limits Weekend** is an exclusive retreat to empower and support children and teens with limb loss or limb difference. Participants experience exciting outdoor activities and adventures on **The Woodlands** all accessible 52-acre campus.

Ages 6-18

Dates: March 3-5, 2017

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## Advances in Rehabilitation for the Patient with a Lower Extremity Amputation - May 4-6, 2017



This **two and a half-day blended course** is specifically designed to provide updated information regarding rehabilitation of the client with the lower extremity amputation. With live models and case studies throughout, participants will review prosthetic prescription, current components, and functional training.

The course will identify progression of activities beyond basic rehabilitation addressing core strengthening, balance, gait training and optimal outcomes.

Dates: May 4-6, 2017  
Earn: 22 CEUs

New Location:  
Shirley Ryan Ability Lab  
355 E. Erie, Chicago, IL 60611  
**More info.**

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## Prosthetics and Orthotics for Therapists™

### Continuing Education Series

The purpose of our Prosthetics and Orthotics for Therapists™ continuing education course series is to provide continuing education credits for therapists in Pennsylvania by presenting courses on various aspects of upper and lower extremity prostheses and orthoses.

Cost Effective? There is no cost. You can't get more cost effective than that!



To schedule your course series, **contact Libby** at 412-310-4445.

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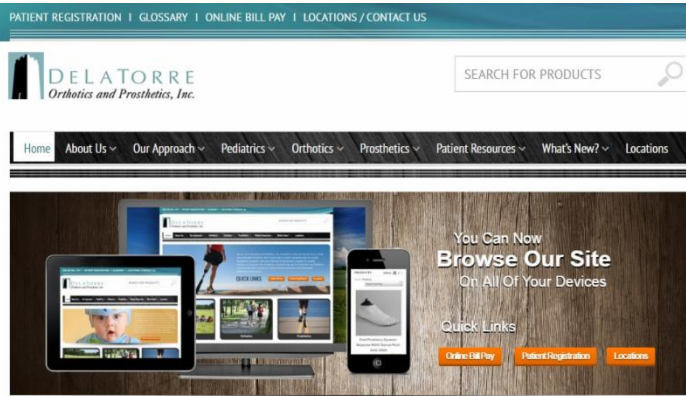
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- **Orthotics**
- **Pediatrics**



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