

## Cancer

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## Books

**Atlas of Amputations and Limb Deficiencies: Surgical, Prosthetic and Rehabilitation Principles** / American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons; edited by Douglas G. Smith, John W. Michael, and John H. Bowker. 3rd edition. Rosemont, IL: American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 2004. ISBN 0-89203-313-4. This atlas is a comprehensive reference on the surgical, prosthetic and rehabilitative management of adults and children who have lost a limb or who have congenital limb loss. This source contains many images and illustrations. See Chapter 5, "Tumor: Limb Salvage Versus Amputation."

**Becoming Whole: The Story of My Complete Recovery From Breast Cancer** / Meg Wolff with Tom Monte. Cape Elizabeth, Maine: Flow Books, c2006. ISBN:

978-1-4303-0961-1. Meg was diagnosed with bone cancer that caused her to have her leg amputated. Then she had a double mastectomy eight years later to fight another cancer crisis. Meg decided to fight for her life using wholesome food and a macrobiotic diet. The book contains recipes and eating plans to begin a diet based on whole grains, vegetables and beans, but it is more than a cookbook. It is an emotional journey of recovery and inspiration.

**Being One-Legged Is an Interesting Experience** / by J. A. Coffeen. Houston, TX: J.A. & M.H. Coffeen, Grouder Publishing, c2000. ISBN 0-930271-04-1. This is the story of how a 73-year-old man who loses his leg to cancer adapts.

**Childhood Cancer: A Parent's Guide to Solid Tumor Cancers** / Honna Janes-Hodder, Nancy Keene. Beijing; Sebastopol, CA: O'Reilly, c2002. ISBN 0-596-50014-9. Summary: This book provides information and support that parents need when they have a child diagnosed with cancer. It includes information about treatment, resources for medical information, emotional support and financial assistance, advice on coping, personal stories and more.

**Daniel's Mom**/ by Sandi Guida. Illustrations by Fred Schmerling. In this short children's story, Daniel is telling his class about his mother, who had an amputation due to cancer. She uses crutches but her friend wears a prosthesis. This is only available online: [www.amputee-coalition.org/yaz/youth-info.asp](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/yaz/youth-info.asp)

**Exercise and Cancer Recovery** / Carole M. Schneider, Carolyn A. Dennehy, Susan D. Carter. Champaign, Ill.: Human Kinetics Pub., c2003. ISBN 0-7360-3645-8. This text gives specific guidelines for cancer-exercise intervention. Information on how exercise rehabilitation can help cancer patients deal with treatment-related symptoms both during and after treatment is also included.

**It's Just a Matter of Balance** / Kevin S. Garrison. South Euclid, OH: Print Vantage; c2005. ISBN: 0-9773261-0-1. Prosthetist, Kevin Garrison, who is a below-knee amputee due to cancer, shares his story and perspective on triumphing over disability and embracing life.

**Our Cancer Year** / by Joyce Brabner and Harvey Pekar; illustrations by Frank Stack. New York Thunder's Mouth Pr., c1994. ISBN: 1-56858-011-8. This is the autobiographical graphic novel of Harvey Pekar (author of *American Splendor*) and his wife, Joyce Brabner. They discovered Harvey had cancer, and he suddenly found himself incapacitated. But he had a chance to beat cancer and he took it - and survives, after much screaming and kicking.

**Pain Management in Rehabilitation** / editors, Trilok N. Monga, Martin Grabois. New York, N.Y.: Demos Medical Pub., c2002. ISBN 1-888799-63-3. This book provides information about the diagnosis and management of various pain syndromes in patients with disabling diseases.

**Pediatric Oncology Resource Guide: The Resource Guide for Children Living With Cancer and Their Families** / Chai Lifeline. New York: Chai Lifeline, 2001. This manual was developed as a community support service of Chai Lifeline, a not-for-profit children's health support organization. It is a tool for information and referrals made by pediatric oncology social workers in the United States.

**Textbook of Complementary and Alternative Medicine** / edited by Chun-Su Yuan and Eric J. Bieber. Boca Raton [Fla.]: Parthenon Pub. Group, c2003. ISBN 1-84214-134-1. This textbook looks at healing therapies, approaches and systems of complementary and alternative medicine. Their relevance to conventional medicine is discussed. In-depth information on specific therapies for common medical conditions is also included.

**Wounded Healer** / by John Gagnon. Norwood, N.J.: Ablex Pub., c1994. ISBN 0-89391-973-X. This autobiographical account focuses on a 10-year span of the author's life, during which time he experiences a painful series of traumatic events: an accident that resulted in the amputation of his left leg and severe injury to his right one; a bout with cancer and subsequent chemotherapy; the death of his mother; and numerous health-related ailments including pulmonary fibrosis, tinnitus, and Raynaud's disease. Throughout all of these emotional and physical trials, he continued to work as a psychotherapist, counseling others in crisis.

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## Amputee Coalition Articles

**The Strength to Carry On: Amputees Share Their Secrets of Success** / Rick Bowers. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2006. Article from *inMotion*, September / October 2006. This article highlights people who share their experiences as new amputees. Jessica shares her secret to getting back on her "feet" after losing both legs above the knee in a car accident. Manuel says that it took him two years to get over the anger after losing all four limbs in an electrical accident at work. Mike, who had bone cancer, found

that writing letters about his condition was therapeutic.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/sep\\_oct\\_06/strength\\_to\\_carry.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/sep_oct_06/strength_to_carry.html)

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**Before Your Amputation: Questions to Ask Your Surgeon (Fact Sheet)** / Patricia J. Isenberg. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America. Talking with your surgeon prior to amputation is important. You should meet your surgeon, feel confident in his/her abilities, and have all your concerns addressed before surgery is scheduled. Listed on this fact sheet are some critical questions. You may want answers to all of them or you might choose those which are most important to you. Your surgeon should be willing to take the time to answer any questions you have.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/fact\\_sheets/surgeonqs.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/fact_sheets/surgeonqs.html)

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**Cancer and Amputation** / Bill Dupes. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2004. Article from *inMotion*, September / October 2004. This article contains a listing of resources and organizations that provide information on cancer.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/sep\\_oct\\_04/cancer.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/sep_oct_04/cancer.html)

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/sep\\_oct\\_04/cancer.pdf](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/sep_oct_04/cancer.pdf)

[www.amputee-coalition.org/spanish/sep\\_oct\\_04/cancer.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/spanish/sep_oct_04/cancer.html)

[www.amputee-coalition.org/spanish/sep\\_oct\\_04/cancer.pdf](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/spanish/sep_oct_04/cancer.pdf)

**Cancer Was the Easy Part** / Bill Dupes. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2005. Article from *Expectations*, 2005. Teenager Monte Gardner was diagnosed with osteosarcoma – bone cancer, after x-rays revealed an egg-sized tumor in his femur. After several surgeries and consulting with many doctors, the family learned about rotationplasty as a reconstructive surgery that would allow Monte to function as a below-knee amputee.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/expectations/cancer.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/expectations/cancer.html)

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**Know Your Options: An Explanation of the Rotationplasty and Tibia Turn-Up Procedures** / Kevin Carroll. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2005. Article from *inMotion*, March / April 2005. This article examines the Van Nes rotationplasty and tibia turn-up procedures. How these procedures work and how prostheses function with such amputations are discussed.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/mar\\_apr\\_05/rotationplasty.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/mar_apr_05/rotationplasty.html)

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/mar\\_apr\\_05/rotationplasty.pdf](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/mar_apr_05/rotationplasty.pdf)

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**Look Into Chase's Eyes** / Barbara Gref. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2001. Article from *inMotion*, May / June 2001. Reprinted by permission of *The Times Herald-Record*, Newburgh, NY. This is the story of Chase Molinari, a child who was diagnosed with Ewing's Sarcoma at the age of one. It discusses his amputation and his parent's struggle to get their insurance company to provide adequate coverage for Chase's prosthetic legs.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/may\\_jun\\_01/chase.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/may_jun_01/chase.html)

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/may\\_jun\\_01/chase.pdf](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/may_jun_01/chase.pdf)

**Obliterating the Odds** / Dan Johnson. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2000. Article from *inMotion*, March / April 2002. A profile of Brandon Kline, who lost his right leg in fourth grade because of cancer. He hasn't let his limb loss slow him down.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/mar\\_apr\\_00/odds.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/mar_apr_00/odds.html)

**One Step Ahead: Preventing Secondary Complications in Long-Term Prosthesis Users** / Robert Gailey. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2004. Article from *inMotion*, July / August 2004. As a group, people who have lost a limb as the result of trauma, a tumor or a congenital limb difference tend to do so earlier in life than those who have an amputation related to diabetes or vascular disease. Because they are younger, more active, and prosthesis-wearers for greater lengths of time, many of these people experience secondary medical problems, mostly in the joints of the lower limbs and the spine. In this article, Dr. Gailey looks at ways to avoid these complications.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/jul\\_aug\\_04/secondary.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/jul_aug_04/secondary.html)

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**Pain Management and the Amputee (Fact Sheet)** / Partners Against Pain and the National Limb Loss Information Center. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America. This fact sheet provides important practical information that you can use to get help managing your pain. In many instances, pain will decrease over time. Other times it may be necessary to take aggressive steps to control pain. This fact sheet provides information about handling a range of outcomes.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/fact\\_sheets/painmgmt.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/fact_sheets/painmgmt.html)

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**Points to Know and Consider When Preparing for and Undergoing an Amputation (Fact Sheet)** / Paddy Rossbach, RN. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America. This fact sheet provides some points to know about and consider when an amputation becomes necessary. These include aspects of presurgery, postsurgery, prosthetic fitting, physical therapy with the prosthesis and emotional needs.

[www.amputee-coalition.org/fact\\_sheets/undergoingamp.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/fact_sheets/undergoingamp.html)

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**Towards Reaching "Normalcy" - Does It Really Matter?** / Donna R. Walton, EdD. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2006. Article from *inMotion*, July / August 2006. Dr. Walton describes her own quest to be "normal" and walk without a limp, despite her high-level, above-knee amputation that was a result of cancer when she was 18.

[http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/jul\\_aug\\_06/reaching\\_normalcy.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/inmotion/jul_aug_06/reaching_normalcy.html)

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## PubMed® Abstracts

*\*The abstracts to these articles are available via PubMed®, a service of the United States National Library of Medicine®.*

### **Barriers to Rehabilitation of Patients with Extremity Sarcomas** / Custodio CM.

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&dopt=AbstractPlus&list\\_uids=17345595&itool=pubmed\\_DocSum](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list_uids=17345595&itool=pubmed_DocSum)

**Characteristics and Outcome of Infections Associated With Tumor Endoprostheses** / Harges J, Gebert C, Schwappach A, Ahrens H, Streitburger A, Winkelmann W, Gosheger G. Citation to article: Archives of Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery. 2006 Jul;126(5):289-96. [www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list\\_uids=16628430&itool=pubmed\\_DocSum](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list_uids=16628430&itool=pubmed_DocSum)

**A Comparative Analysis of Functional Outcomes in Adolescents and Young Adults With Lower-Extremity Bone Sarcoma** / Ginsberg JP, Rai SN, Carlson CA, Meadows AT, Hinds PS, Spearing EM, Zhang L, Callaway L, Neel MD, Rao BN, Marchese VG. Citation to article: Pediatric Blood & Cancer. 2007 Dec; 49(7):964-9.

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/16921515?dopt=AbstractPlus](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/16921515?dopt=AbstractPlus)

**Complications and Risk Factors for Failure of Rotationplasty: Review of 25 Patients** / Sawamura C, Hornicek FJ, Gebhardt MC. Citation to article: Clinical Orthopaedics Related Research. 2008 Jun; 466(6):1302-8.

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18404295?ordinalpos=39&itool=EntrezSystem2.PEntrez.Pubmed.Pubmed\\_ResultsPanel.Pubmed\\_RVDocSum](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18404295?ordinalpos=39&itool=EntrezSystem2.PEntrez.Pubmed.Pubmed_ResultsPanel.Pubmed_RVDocSum)

**Incidence and Management of Phantom Limb Pain According to World Health Organization Analgesic Ladder in Amputees of Malignant Origin.** American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Care. 2007, Sep 21.

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?  
db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list\\_uids=17890346&itool=pubmed\\_DocSum](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list_uids=17890346&itool=pubmed_DocSum)

**Isolated Limb Perfusion With Tumor Necrosis Factor Alpha and Melphalan for Locally Advanced Soft Tissue Sarcoma: Three Time Periods at Risk for Amputation** / van Ginkel RJ, Thijssens KM, Pras E, van der Graaf WT, Suurmeijer AJ, Hoekstra HJ. Citation to article: Annals of Surgical Oncology. 2007 Jan 26.

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?  
db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list\\_uids=17253101&itool=pubmed\\_DocSum](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list_uids=17253101&itool=pubmed_DocSum)

**Orthopedic Surgery Options for the Treatment of Primary Osteosarcoma** / Marulanda GA, Henderson ER, Johnson DA, Letson GD, Cheong D. Citation to article: Cancer Control. 2008 Jan;15(1):13-20.

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18094657?dopt=AbstractPlus](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18094657?dopt=AbstractPlus)

**Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Persons With Lower Limb Amputations Due to Tumour** / Kauzlaric N, Kauzlaric KS, Kolundzic R. Citation to article: European Journal of Cancer Care (Engl). 2007 May;16(3):238-43. [www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list_uids=17508943&itool=pubmed_DocSum)

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**Rotationplasty in the Elderly** / Harges J, Exner GU, Rosenbaum D, Streitbuerger A, Gebert C, Gosheger G, Ahrens H. Citation to article: *Sarcoma*. 2008; 40:2378.

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18682817?dopt=AbstractPlus](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18682817?dopt=AbstractPlus)

**Treatment Results of Pediatric Osteosarcoma: Twenty-Year Experience** / Varan A, Yazc N, Aksoy C, Gedikoglu G, Yalcin B, Akyuz C, Kutluk T, Buyukpamukcu M. Citation to article: *Journal of Pediatric Orthopedics*. 2007 Mar;27(2):241-246.[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list\\_uids=17314654&itool=pubmed\\_DocSum](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=AbstractPlus&list_uids=17314654&itool=pubmed_DocSum)

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## Videos & CD-ROMs

**Jeff Keith's Run Across America** / presented by Johnson & Johnson and the American Cancer Society. New York, NY: Bradley-Kriegeskotte Associates, [1985]. This documentary follows Jeff Keith in his run across the United States, proving to millions of Americans the feat can be accomplished in spite of a severe disability. Jeff lost a leg to cancer when he was 12 years old.

**Phoenix Dance** / produced and directed by Karina Epperlein; Transit 2100. Standard format. Boston, Mass.: Fanlight Productions, 2006. DVD. ISBN: 1-57295-862-6. In March, 2001, renowned dancer Homer Avila discovered that the pain in his hip was cancer. A month later, his right leg and most of his hip were amputated. Through interviews, studio rehearsals, and performances, [the film] follows the evolution of a "pas de deux" created for Avila by choreographer Alonzo King. In a deeply moving and intimate collaboration with dancer Andrea Flores, Avila creates a new unity - a beautiful creature with three legs and four arms - in which traditional roles are reversed: the man's vulnerability and the woman's strength sweetly complement each other, and their solo outbursts develop themes of interdependence, trust, and strength.

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## Web sites

**Amputee Coalition of America. Knoxville, TN.** This Web site provides a wealth of information to all amputees. From the National Limb Loss Information Center (NLLIC) page, search the library for more resources, call the toll-free hotline for information or submit a question online.

[www.amputee-coalition.org](http://www.amputee-coalition.org)

**American Cancer Society.** Atlanta, GA. The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

[www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

**CancerAndCareers.org.** New York, NY: Cosmetic Executive Women, Inc.

Cancer and Careers is a nonprofit resource that is designed for working women with any type of cancer, their employers, coworkers and caregivers. Their resources provide coping strategies and tips; brief facts about cancer; and stories from patients, friends, and employers to inspire women to continue to work through treatment. Also available in Spanish.

<http://www.cancerandcareers.org>

**Cancer Facts: The National Cancer Institute Cancer Centers Program.** Bethesda, MD. The National

Cancer Institute Cancer Centers Program comprises more than 50 NCI-designated cancer centers engaged in multidisciplinary research to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity and mortality. This site has a listing of designated cancer centers by state with contact information included. [cis.nci.nih.gov/fact/1\\_2.htm](http://cis.nci.nih.gov/fact/1_2.htm)

**Health Disparities: Minority Cancer Awareness** / United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control, [200-]-. This fact sheet focuses on cancer in minorities. Statistical information, health indicators and research findings are all included. [www.cdc.gov/cancer/minorityawareness/index.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/minorityawareness/index.htm)

**National Cancer Institute** / Bethesda, MD. The National Cancer Institute (NCI), part of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, coordinates the Nation's research program on cancer prevention, detection, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation and control.  
[www.cancer.gov](http://www.cancer.gov)

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