



## PROSTHETIC CLINICS

- Limb Prosthetic Clinic with Dr Rice  
Monday afternoons from 2:30pm
- TQEH Amputee Clinics with Dr Winsor  
are on every second Monday at 9:00am  
in the Physiotherapy department  
and at 10:30am in the Physiotherapy  
gymnasium
- Children's Amputee Clinic is at The  
Women's and Children's Hospital and  
is held approx every two months. Please  
call for the next clinic date
- Amputees should be reviewed every  
3-6 months in the Limb Prosthetic Clinic

## ndis National Disability Insurance Scheme

### Adult Registrations from JULY 1st

The National Disability insurance scheme is about to come in to full swing with the registration of adults (18-65 age group) beginning in July this year. Adults will be registered starting with those who live in Adelaide's northern suburbs (roughly areas north of Regency Road). We encourage everyone in this age range to contact the NDIS as early as possible, (you can contact them prior to July 1st) to begin the registration process, as there will be huge numbers of people registering in July and it will be a slow process.

The registration process can be started by calling the NDIS (ph 1800 800 110) and they will put you in touch with your local office. You can also visit the NDIS website which has lots of helpful information at [www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au)

Many children have already been registered over the last couple of years and are already receiving Prosthetic and Orthotic services funded by NDIS. If you are a parent or carer of a child who requires funding for prostheses and they are not already registered, they need to be registered with the NDIS ASAP.

Prostek has set up a contact site on Facebook where we can share information regarding our service and the Prosthetic and Orthotic field. If you are on Facebook you can find us and LIKE our page at [www.facebook.com/prostekclinical](http://www.facebook.com/prostekclinical)



## Farewell Jason and Welcome Dwayne



Dwayne Bawden

We would like to say good bye and good luck to our Technician Jason Honeychurch, who left Prostek after 10 years' of dedicated service. Jason has moved to Melbourne to study at LaTrobe University to become a Prosthetic and Orthotic Clinician. Many of you would be familiar with Jason, as he is a transfemoral amputee himself and has at times been able to demonstrate the various aspects of their prosthetic treatment.

We wish Jason all the best for his studies and his future as a Prosthetist and Orthotist.

We would like to welcome Dwayne Bawden who has filled the Technical position and is already proving to be a great addition to our team.



Jason Honeychurch

# PROSTEK

## Orthotic Prosthetic Services

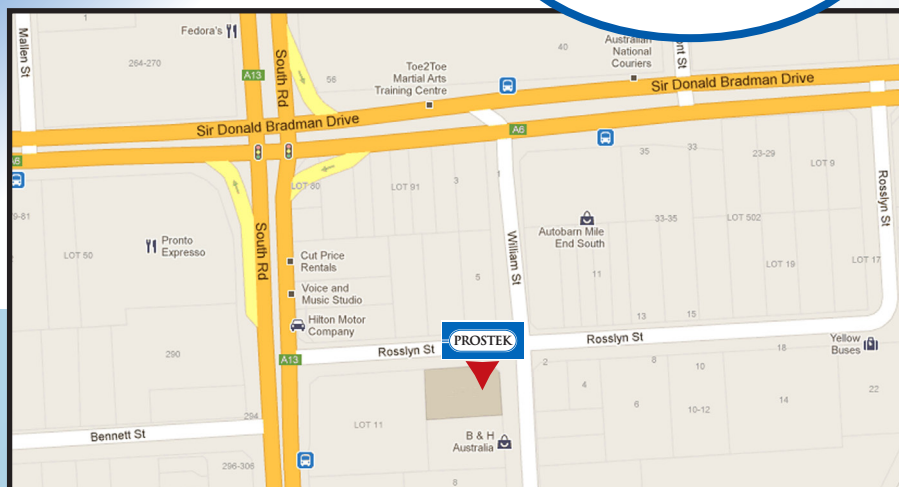
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### ABOUT US:

*Prostek is a private provider of prosthetic and orthotic services to South Australians, established over 30 years ago. We are a licensed Prosthetic Service Provider (PSP) for the South Australian Artificial Limb Scheme (SAALS), as well as a provider for Workcover, Compulsory Third Party vehicle accident claimants and Veteran Affairs gold card holders.*

*Our clinicians (Orthotists & Prosthetists) are members of the Australian Orthotic Prosthetic Association and participate in continuing professional education.*



### WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?

These newsletters are to keep you in touch with what is happening at Prostek and provide you with information regarding your prosthesis and anything related to your prosthetic treatment.

If there are any topics that you would like information on please let us know and we will try to include it in the next newsletter.

## JOKE



What did the mother duck say when she bought some lipstick?

“Can you put it on my bill?”

## Hon. Kelly Vincent Lends Her Support to Amputees



Hon. Kelly Vincent

The Dignity for Disability Minister Kelly Vincent, has thrown her support behind amputees, after the state funded SA Artificial Limb Service (SAALS) cut funding for some prosthetic services. Under the restrictions imposed late last year, new amputees will only have access to one “General Purpose” prosthesis but won’t have access to other prosthetic limb types that were previously funded for SAALS clients, such as recreational and occupational prostheses. The recent changes are at odds with the government’s own stance of encouraging active, healthy living including the “Be Active” campaign.

Ms. Vincent lent her support with a press release and questions directed at the Disability minister in parliament question time. Following this the ABC news ran a story discussing the impact of the state government’s cuts on amputees.

Existing amputees however, will fare better with the SAALS funding changes than new amputees. Amputees who have previously had more than one prosthesis type will still have funding provided for the limb types that they have had previously.

It is widely expected that under the NDIS system, which rolls out for adult amputees up to the age of 65 starting in July this year, will be more generous and provide funding for the prosthesis types that are required.