

LIMB TRAUMA

On-Demand Education

EXTREMITY TRAUMA AND AMPUTATION CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
(EACE)



Senior Chief Navy Diver Ryan Steinkamp, a Sailor assigned to Naval Construction Battalion Center Port Hueneme, Calif., poses for a photo in Naval Medical Center San Diego's (NMCSD) Physical Therapy department.

Photo by Petty Officer 2nd Class Erwin Jacob Miciano

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A member of Operation Enduring Warrior carries a teammate's prosthetic leg as they move from one obstacle to another during a Spartan Sprint Race at Fort Bragg, N.C. Photo by Staff Sgt Marianique Santos

Letter from the Director

January 2026

Colleagues,

Thank you for your continued commitment to advancing your knowledge and skills in limb trauma care through continuing education. As educational landscapes evolve to meet the changing needs of our learners, the Extremity Trauma and Amputation Center of Excellence remains steadfast in its dedication to supporting your professional development. Each year, we proudly sponsor a suite of on-demand educational offerings designed to maintain and strengthen clinical expertise in the care of severe to critical limb trauma and amputation. Our 2026 catalog continues this tradition.

This year's catalog features presentations from internationally recognized experts and devoted professionals whose work has significantly advanced scientific discovery, clinical practice, and patient outcomes. United by our shared mission, we strive to expand the boundaries of cutting-edge knowledge and clinical excellence in pursuit of restoring normal human function for our Service members and beneficiaries.

I encourage you to explore the wide range of online educational resources available in this year's catalog. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Dr. Laurie Lutz, Chief, Training and Education, at: dha.ncr.dha-re-activity.mbx.eace-clinical-affairs@health.mil.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication to excellence in patient care and lifelong learning.

Sincerely,

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Research and Development
Defense Health Agency

Extremity Trauma and Amputation Center of Excellence

The Extremity Trauma and Amputation Center of Excellence (EACE) drives advancements in extremity trauma-related research and clinical practice to optimize outcomes for Service members, retirees, and beneficiaries, while addressing the needs of Combatant Commands and the Military Health System. The EACE is dedicated to creating a better future for individuals affected by extremity trauma.

Established by the 2009 National Defense Authorization Act, EACE operates as a joint initiative between the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs. Initially led by the U.S. Army, the EACE transitioned in 2022 to align with the Defense Health Agency (DHA) under the Research & Engineering Directorate, alongside other congressionally established Centers of Excellence. In 2025, the EACE further integrated into the DHA Research & Development division.

EACE exists to support the Warfighter and ensure excellence in care and innovation for extremity trauma.

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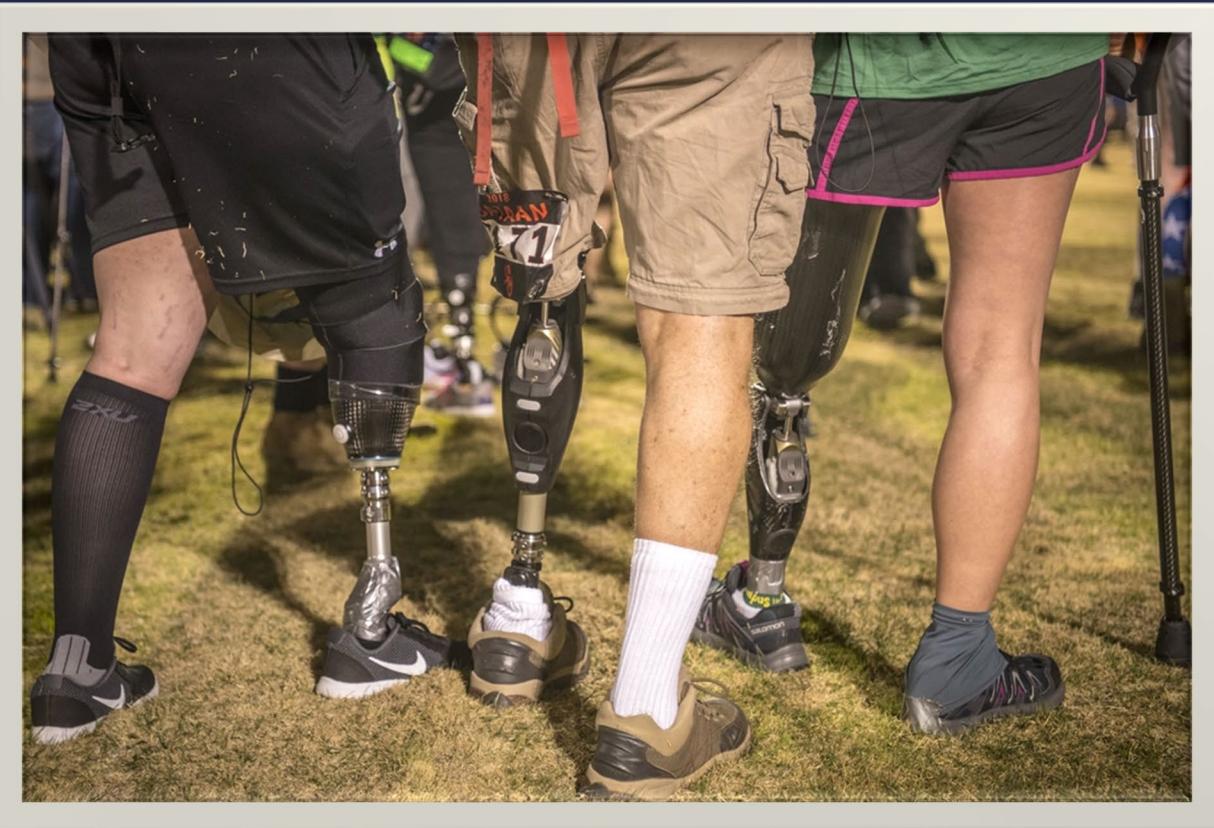
Accessing the Training

To access any of the instructional modules in this catalogue, please email us at:

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To access the Limb Trauma On-Demand Education Catalogs, Volume 1 and Volume 2, visit:

<https://www.health.mil/EACEtraining>



Wounded warrior amputees take a group photo before participating in the Bataan Memorial Death March at White Sands Missile Range, N.M. Photo by Ken Scar U.S. Army Cadet Command (Army ROTC)

2025 FAST



Federal Advanced Skills Training

The 8th Federal Advanced Skills Training (FAST) was held virtually from June 10 to 12, 2025. The theme was "Holistic Healing: Integrating Physical and Psychological Care in Limb Trauma." This premier event brought together experts in behavioral health and limb trauma care, hosted thought-provoking sessions, and provided participants with opportunities to collaborate with peers across disciplines.



Photo grid of select 2025 FAST speakers.

Top row, left to right: Dr. Lisa Prasso, Lt Col Daniel Cassidy and Dr. Chandler Rhodes.
Bottom row, left to right: LT Nick Grant, Dr. Tawnee Sparling and MAJ Mary Rehman.

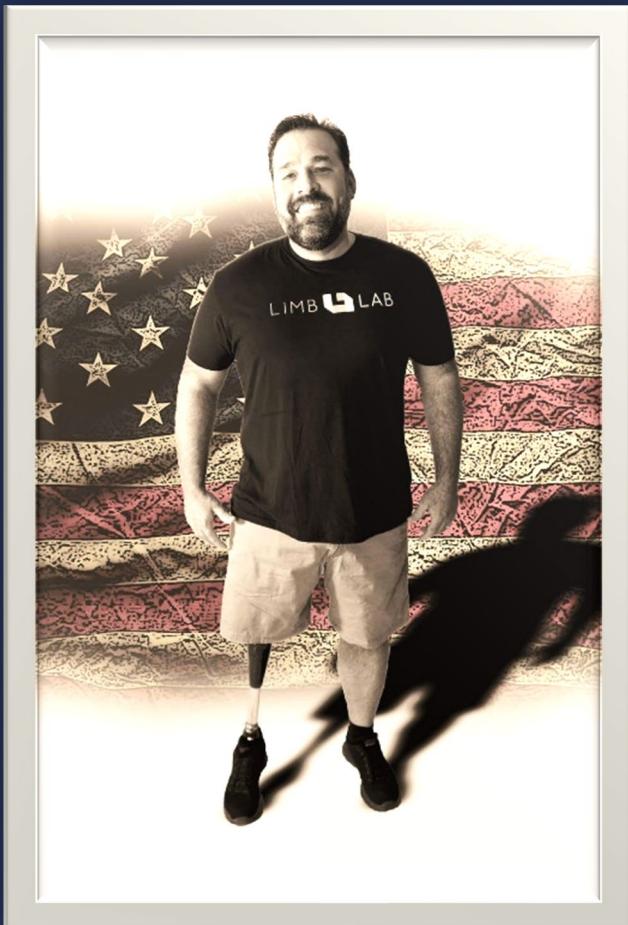
Federal Advanced Skills Training

| Day | Presenter(s) | Title |
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| Day 1 | SFC (Ret) Daniel Metzdorf | <i>Keynote</i> |
| Day 1 | LT Nick Grant, PhD, ABPP | <i>Psychological Health 101</i> |
| Day 1 | Jessica Richards, PhD | <i>Trauma Informed Care: Recognizing and Addressing Trauma in Limb Loss Rehabilitation</i> |
| Day 1 | Lt Col Daniel Cassidy, PhD, ABPP | <i>Catalyzing Change: Motivational Interviewing in the Context of Rehabilitation and Functional Restoration</i> |
| Day 1 | Jose Lara-Ruiz, PhD Tiffany Milligan, PsyD, MBA | <i>The Utility of Focusing on Functioning</i> |
| Day 2 | 1SG (Ret) Christopher Roseberry | <i>Keynote</i> |
| Day 2 | Ajay Manhapra, MD | <i>Enabling Physical and Psychosocial Recovery Among Veterans with Debilitating Chronic Pain</i> |
| Day 2 | Seth Messinger, PhD | <i>Preparing for Home: How Rehabilitation Providers Can Support Smooth Social Reintegration</i> |
| Day 2 | Inger Brueckner, PT | <i>Harnessing Imagery and Visualization in the Rehabilitation Setting</i> |
| Day 3 | Lt Col Erik Melanson | <i>Keynote</i> |
| Day 3 | Daniel Lee, PT, DPT, PhD James Pierre-Glaude, PT, DPT, EdD, ATC Michelle Schein, PhD, CRC, LPC | <i>Kicking (But Not Screaming) to Healing After Limb Loss</i> |
| Day 3 | CPT Paris Bean, MD LT Alexis Cross, DO MAJ Mary Rehman, MD | <i>Integrating Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Insomnia (CBT-I) in Amputee Rehabilitation: Improving Sleep, Pain Management and Recovery Outcomes</i> |

Federal Advanced Skills Training

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| Day | Presenter(s) | Title |
|-------|--|--|
| Day 3 | Mark Marsico, OT Michelle Nordstrom, MS, OTR/L Lisa Prasso, PT, DPT Atossa (Ati) Tahvildary, PA-C | <i>Nuances of Needles: Understanding the Differences of Acupuncture and Dry Needling</i> |
| Day 3 | Rebekah Baldwin, MMT, MT-BC Andrea Blunt, MM, MT-BC, NMT Gioia Chilton, PhD, ATR-BC, CSAC Liz Freeman, MA, BC-DMT Michelle Nordstrom, MS Chandler Rhodes, PhD Rebecca Vaudreuil, MSW, EdM, MT-BC | <i>Creative Arts Therapies for Physical and Psychological Rehabilitation</i> |



2025 FAST keynote speaker SFC Daniel Metzdorf (image provided by SFC Metzdorf)

2025 FAST Home Study

Continuing Education CE/CMEs

We are proud to offer a variety of CE/CMEs for the 2025 Federal Advanced Skills Training Home Study (v2026). The Home Study is broken down into 3 parts: Part 1 (6 clock hours), Part 2 (6.5 clock hours), and Part 3 (6.5 clock hours). Please use this guide to access our online curriculum and request CE/CMEs from the appropriate organization.

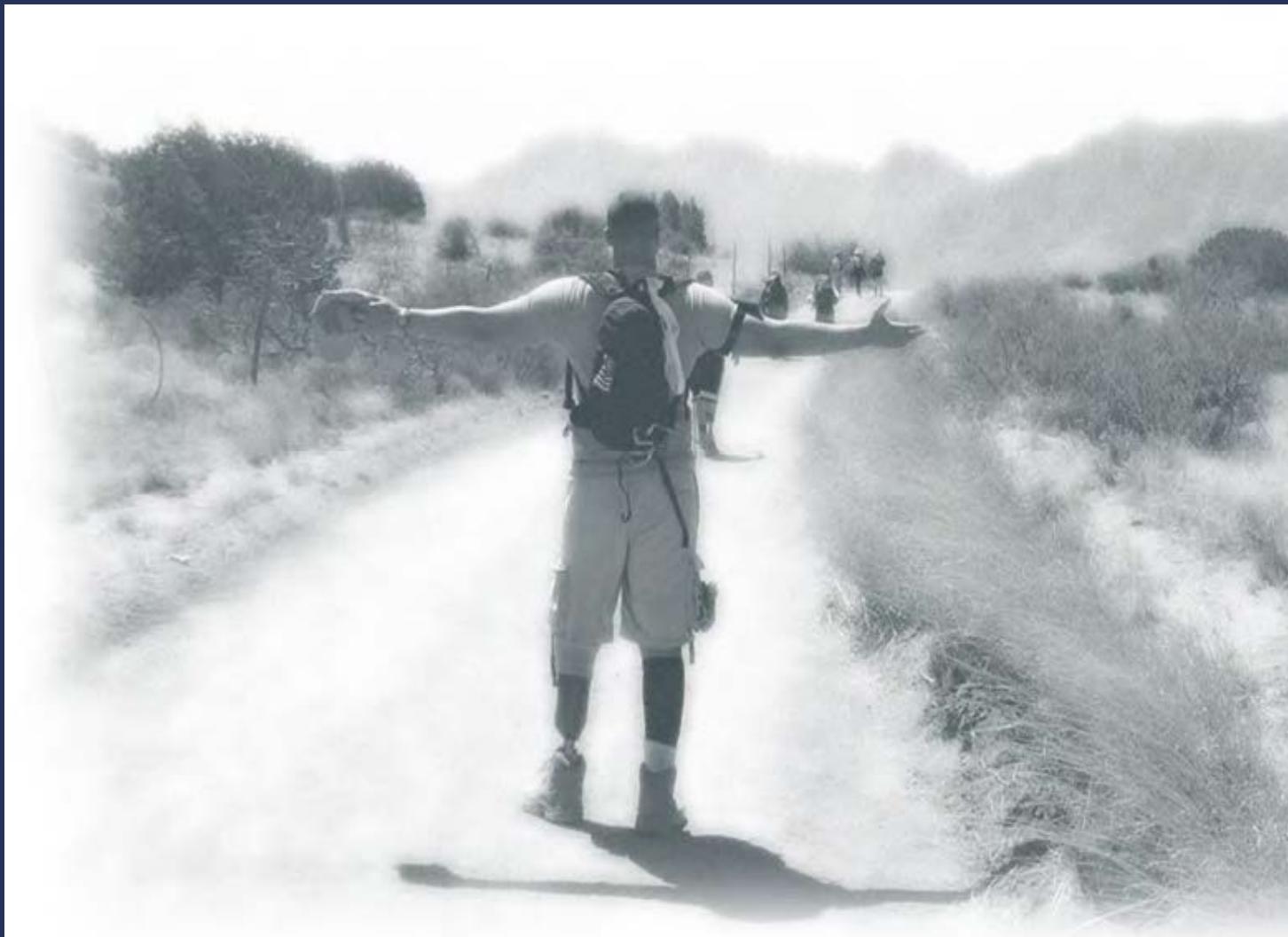
1. Log into Reach 360 to get started:
 - a. <https://eace.reach360.com/register/ce20f45b-b7b1-4093-8674-e4bf09549c8b>
 - b. To register, follow prompts to create login credentials. See PDF titled “How to Access Reach 360 Learning Platform” for details.
2. Once you arrive at the My Learning page, click on Browse Library in the top right corner.
3. To locate the 2025 FAST Home Study (v2026) course in the library, select All Types and then Learning Paths.
4. Select each course to complete - Part 1, Part 2, and Part 3.
5. At the end of each course, learners will be directed to CE/CME-specific links based on their credentialed specialty.

The following information is covered in the CE/CME section of each module and is here for visibility as well. Please choose the correct CE/CME path below:

1. Orthotists and Prosthetists ONLY – ABCOP Members:
 - a. After each part, follow the link below to take the quiz.
 - i. Part 1: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2025FASTPart1>
 - ii. Part 2: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2025FASTPart2>
 - iii. Part 3: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2025FASTPart3>
 - b. Score 80% or higher. You may retake the quiz as many times as necessary, and your highest score will be reported.
 - c. Credits will be reported to ABCOP on the 28th of each month.
2. ALL OTHER CE/CME Requests - ACCME Non-Physician, ACCME Physicians, ANCC, AOTA, APA, APTA, ASWB, Certificate of Attendance/BOC:
 - a. Go to <https://www.dhaj7-cepo.com/content/fast-2025-holistic-healing-integrating-physical-and-psychological-care-limb-trauma-hs#group-tabs-node-course-default1>
 - b. Click on the **Register** tab. Access code: FAST2025HS
 - i. If you have previously used the CEPO CMS, click login.
 - ii. If you have not previously used the CEPO CMS select “register” to create a new account.
 - c. Follow the onscreen prompts to complete the post-activity assessments:
 - i. Read the Accreditation Statement
 - ii. Complete the Evaluation
 - iii. Take the Posttest
 - d. After completing the posttest at 80% or above, your certificate will be available for print or download.
 - e. You can return to the site at any time in the future to print your certificate and transcripts at <https://www.dhaj7-cepo.com/>

If you require any assistance in accessing the online curriculum or requesting your CE/CMEs, please send email to:

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Limb Trauma Educational Series

The Limb Trauma Educational Series is an educational platform designed to facilitate information-sharing from experts to the interdisciplinary team that treats patients with extremity trauma. Through monthly sessions, the series introduces new material, case studies, and best practices into the clinical setting to ensure exceptional care for the limb trauma and limb loss population. By reducing variations in processes of care and promoting the sharing of expertise, the Limb Trauma Educational Series strives to improve outcomes and advance clinical excellence.

FY25 LTEs

Limb Trauma Educational Series

| Month | Presenter(s) | Title |
|------------------|--|---|
| Oct 2024 | Alexander Gardetto, MD | <i>Restoration of Genuine Sensation and Proprioception of the Residual Limb with Targeted Reinnervation Techniques as a Mechanoneural Interface</i> |
| Dec 2024 | Aaron Turner, PhD, ABPP (RP) Rhonda Williams, PhD, ABPP-RP | <i>Cognitive Assessment and Amputation Care</i> |
| Jan 2025 | Patricia Young, MSPT, CP Jaisie Stevens, DPT Shayla Mitchell-Shead, PhD, MS, CRC | <i>The VA Amputation System of Care, the Role of the Amputation Rehabilitation Coordinator, and the Services and Benefits for Those Living with Limb Loss</i> |
| Feb 2025 | Amanda L. Haberstroh, PhD, MLIS, AHIP-S | <i>Beyond the Systematic Review: Which Review is Right for You?</i> |
| Mar 2025 | Joshua Pelz, PhD Herb Barrack, CPO | <i>Bringing Fully 3D Printed Prostheses to Patients: A Practical Approach for Clinicians</i> |
| Apr 2025 | Tammie Jones, PhD, MHA, FACHE | <i>Understanding Military Health System Beneficiaries with Limb Loss and Absence</i> |
| May 2025 | Andrea Crunkhorn, PT, DPT Stuart Campbell, PT, MPT | <i>Updates to the VA DOD Rehabilitation of Lower Limb Amputation CPG (2025)</i> |
| Jul 2025 | Deanna Denman, PhD | <i>Motivational Interviewing</i> |
| Aug 2025 | Jamie Boehme, CPO, MSPO Justin Boehme, CPO, MSPO Morgan Truong, PT, DPT, CSCS, CPT, SP | <i>Rotationplasty Rehabilitation: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Surgical Limb Salvage and Prosthetic Fitting</i> |
| Sept 2025 | Jason Stoneback, MD | <i>Bone-Anchored Limb Reconstruction in Amputees: Sockets to Osseointegration Cyborgs</i> |



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