

Techcentric

An inside look at how one confident and driven tech helps propel the O&P profession forward

Why I Do What I Do

I had to have my right foot amputated at 10 and I found it so interesting that someone could make something to help me run and walk like the other kids. I told the chief of staff that someday I wanted to come and work with him in the prosthetics department!

ABC Certified or Bust

I wanted to show people that I knew what I was doing. People look at where you've been, how far you've gone and what accomplishments you've made. ABC certification shows that you're truly dedicated to your work and profession.

Tech Tool I Can't Live Without

My hands! And the other skilled and driven techs around me who push me to do my best.

How I Handled the Haters

I put all of my attention on relationships with people that wanted to help and work with me.

Some people tried to slow me down, make me think that certification didn't matter and that it was too hard. Glad I proved them wrong!

The Best Advice I Ever Got

- Give it to God and he'll take care of it
- Never let anyone tell you that you can't do something when you know you can (thanks Mom!)

Three Tips I'd Give Someone Scared They Can't Pass the ABC Exam

- Study and ask questions
- Block out all of the people telling you it's too hard. It's not!
- Believe in yourself

I Keep Up with the Profession by

Going to trade shows, serving on various ABC committees, talking to vendors about new products and most importantly, just getting in there, working and learning hands-on!

What I'd Ask a Tech Who Isn't Certified

What are you waiting for? If you've got the experience, put your faith in what you know and move up to the next level. If that doesn't help, CALL ME and let's talk about what's holding you back!

ABC Certification Has Helped My Career

It's opened so many doors for me with a lot of different jobs and helped me garner respect from others in the profession.

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