



new ZEALAND
ORTHOTICS and
PROSTHETICS
association

UNITING & RESOURCING NEW ZEALAND'S ORTHOTISTS & PROSTHETISTS

An Orthotist is skilled in the assessment, prescription, manufacture, & fitting of orthoses for an extremely diverse patient population. An orthosis (plural orthoses) is simply an externally applied device used to modify the structural or functional characteristics of the neuro-musculo-skeletal system.

A Prosthetist is highly proficient at the assessment, prescription, fabrication & fitting of prostheses. The complex task of evaluating & meeting an amputee's needs is extremely challenging. A prosthesis (plural prostheses) is a custom-made artificial device that replaces a lost limb.