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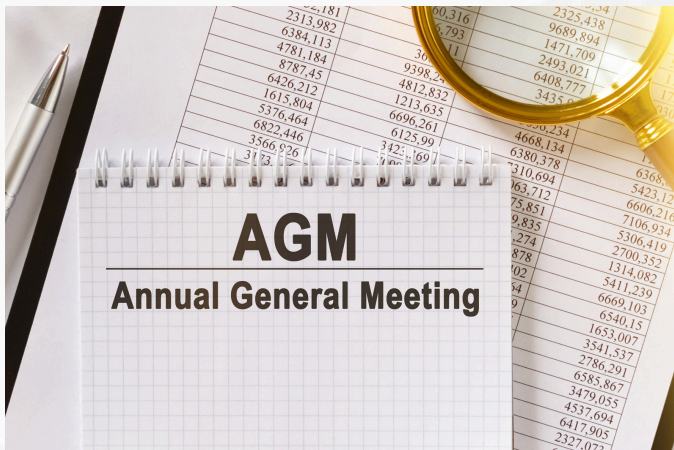
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## 2025 AGM

2025 AGM Agenda is available to view at our website - members, please log in to review the AGM Documents..



If you are unable to attend in person, please follow this link to register to appear virtually.





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REGISTRATION OPENS SOON  
Further updates to be announced

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## THANK YOU TO OSSUR, OUR PLATINUM SPONSOR FOR THE 2025 NZOPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE!

*IN KEEPING WITH THE INTEGRATED CONFERENCE  
EXPERIENCE, OSSUR IS HOSTING BOTH AN ORTHOTIC  
& A PROSTHETIC WORKSHOP*

### Orthotic Workshop *Fior & Gentz - Simplifying KAFO Prescriptions*

Join us as we simplify the complexities of prescribing KAFOs using the Fior & Gentz Orthosis Configurator and advanced stance control components. This session will explore how the digital

tool and 360-degree orthotic system support more efficient decision-making, enable patient-specific configurations, and lead to clinically sound, evidence-based outcomes. What challenges have you faced when prescribing KAFOs? We'll open the discussion and walk through practical ways to streamline your workflow and improve patient mobility.

### Prosthetic Workshop *Built to Move: Live Direct Socket TF Fabrication, Fitting and Navii MPK Programming*

Join us for a hands-on session showcasing the full process of fabricating a Direct Socket with the 850 Lock for a transfemoral user. Watch live as we

complete the socket build, fit the Navii microprocessor knee and Pro Flex Terra foot, and fine tune alignment using Össur Logic. We'll cover key training techniques, product benefits, and supporting clinical evidence. This session is ideal for those new to Direct Socket or looking to sharpen their approach



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PROGRAMME SNEAK PEEK!

WE'RE FINALISING A VERY FULL  
PROGRAMME - BELOW ARE A FEW  
PEOPLE WE'VE SECURED!

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## AN INTEGRATED CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE FEATURING PARALLEL SESSIONS FOR ORTHOTISTS & PROSTHETISTS INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL PRESENTERS & WORKSHOPS

### Dr. Peter Lee

*Professor Biomedical Engineering, University of Melbourne*

The Pressure Casting Technique (PCAST): A Biomechanical Perspective on Transtibial Prosthetic Socket Design

### Chris Miles

*Clinical Director, AposHealth UK*

Apos for knee osteoarthritis – offering patients' an alternative

### Conor McDaid

*Clinical Lead, Great Gait*

### William Pike

*Motivational Speaker, Founder & Director, Pro Armour*

### Alec Foster

*Acting GM - Forests to Biobased Products, Scion Research*

Sustainable products in P&O

### Merryn Robertson

*Physiotherapist*

OSKAR principles and implementation with young people with movement disorders in rehabilitation.

### Cris Barker

*Advanced Clinical Physiotherapist*

### Karen Adams

*Paediatric Physiotherapist*

### Jo Sutton

*National Educator, Autism NZ*

Introduction to Autism based on FANZ (Framework for Autism in New Zealand)

### Smita Pathak

*Clinical Orthotist*

The Effect of a Modified Tenodesis Wrist-Hand Orthosis on Hand Function in Patients with Teraplegia

### Greg Woolman

*Director, Footbionics*

PTTD - the anatomy, etiology, clinical examination, pathomechanics, & management options

### OPC Health

Introducing the latest prosthetic Myo Technology from Open Bionics with new Wireless Myo control



# JOIN THE EXEC COMMITTEE



Are you passionate about advancing the field of orthotics and prosthetics? Do you want to help shape the future of patient care, education, and innovation in our profession?

We are currently seeking dedicated volunteers to join the Executive Committee of the NZOPA!

As a committee member, you will:

- Help guide the strategic direction of our organisation
- Advocate for the profession at regional and national levels
- Collaborate with other leaders in orthotics and prosthetics
- Contribute to initiatives that support clinicians, technicians, and patients

The Commitment varies per role, but there are monthly virtual meetings and periodic planning sessions

We encourage participation from practitioners and technicians - any member who is passionate about the growth and integrity of the O&P profession

Let's work together to elevate the future of orthotics and prosthetics.



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