**Arm Amputation Statistics:**

**Types of arm amputation:**

<http://www.cdha.nshealth.ca/amputee-rehabilitation-musculoskeletal-program/patient-family-information/upper-limb-amputations>

Additional type: transcarpal—fingers/partial hand

**Numbers/Percentages on arm amputations:**

<http://biomed.brown.edu/Courses/BI108/BI108_2003_Groups/Hand_Prosthetics/stats.html>

Basically how many people are affected by arm amputation, what types of arm amputation are most common and most common causes of amputation.

**General Prosthetic Background:**

Just look at the prosthetic background .pptx file in this folder, it’s part of a presentation Chris and I made for our class with Dr Chang last semester.

**Types of common arm prosthetics:**

Pretty much the only things you’ll regularly see are cosmetic prosthetics or hook-and-cable prosthetics.

<http://www.ottobock.com/cps/rde/xchg/ob_com_en/hs.xsl/1940.html>

Hook-and-cable prosthetics work by having a cable attached to your shoulder, you basically shrug to make the hand close.

**Problems with Common Modern Arm Prosthetics:**

Fit problems mentioned in the powerpoint, as well as really only having open/close capability, making the (very limited) use not really worth the hassle.