

Abbreviation / Acronym	Full name / definition
ADL	Activities of daily living, or activities related to personal care like bathing, showering, dressing, cooking, eating, and more
AK / AKA	Above Knee Amputation, or an amputation through the femur (thigh)
AP	Anterior-Posterior, or front to back
BK / BKA	Below Knee Amputation, or amputation through the tibia (shin)
“Disartic”	Shortened term for Disarticulation, which is the disconnection of all or part of a limb from the body, specifically through a joint like your knee, hip, elbow, or shoulder
DTS	Diagnostic Test Socket, also know as a check socket
HD	Hip disarticulation amputation, or amputation through the hip joint
KD	Knee disarticulation, or amputation through the knee joint
ML	Medial-Lateral, or side-to-side
OT	Occupational therapy/therapist, which is a therapy that focuses on improving a patient’s ability to perform activities of daily living
PT	Physical therapy/therapist, which is a therapy that focuses on a restoring and strengthening mobility and/or reducing pain
TF	Transfemoral, a more technical term for above knee amputee (AK / AKA)
TT	Transtibial, a more technical term for below knee amputee (BK / BKA)
“Symes”	Ankle disarticulation, or amputation through the ankle bones