

Profile Mr. John F. Schulte CPO FAAOP

Skills and Capabilities

Fluent in all aspects of the field of Orthotics and Prosthetics. Consulting in the treatment of infants to adults with over 40 plus years of Orthotic and Prosthetic consults. Body and External powered upper and lower extremity prosthetics for all age groups.

John's career of 40 plus years has allowed him vast knowledge and experience in clinical practice, prosthetic and orthotic component development, design and manufacturing. He is considered to be an Expert in his field and continues to be asked to consult on Clinical 'Best Practices' by physicians, third party payors, peers and patient users on the most appropriate component utilization and outcome measurements. John is a published Author, Consultant and Clinical Board Examiner.

He has treated and been involved with the treatment of persons of all ages with congenital birth defects, limb weakness and loss, spinal cord injury. He is intimately knowledgeable in prosthetic and orthotic clinical practice and management, component prescription recommendation, selection and utilization for all patient ages and levels of function makes him an excellent resource for you as an expert witness and consultant.

Mr. Schulte has particular expertise in the determination of the most appropriate prosthetic and orthotic component recommendation, utilization and failures due to improper manufacturing processes. Prescription appropriateness, clinical applications and negligence directly related to limb weakness and loss as well as spinal cord injury and treatment. Wrongful Death investigation and determination, limb damage and loss in Diabetics as related to footwear and Life Care plan consultation and preparation as related to Orthotics and Prosthetics.

Career / Experience

July 2014 – Present Author, Consultant Orthotist / Prosthetist, LifeCare Plan developer and Facility Accreditation Auditor

February 2007 – July 2014 Director of Orthotics / Clinical Educator; the Fillauer Companies Chattanooga TN.

Revive the Reciprocal Gait Line of products and Stance Control Orthosis through development of new and existing programs throughout many parts of the world.

January 1999 – April 2006 Hanger Orthopedic Group; Corporate level Management, Director Quality Assurance, Work with Acquisitions manager to offer suggestions from a clinical perspective of possible acquisitions and integration.

Direct report of 132 personnel throughout a 5 state area. Financial, Marketing and Clinical management of 27 offices. Growth, marketing and strategic planning of this diverse region of the country increasing revenues and area from 20mm in sales to 27.4mm over 6 years.

Oversee and Clinical management of existing clinical practice where sales had dropped from 1.7mm to 800k due to lack of management resources. During that time, I restored referral base and re-grew sales to 1.8mm in sales and 24% EBIDTA.

March 1977 – Jan 1999 Clinical Care and Management

Feb 1970 – March 1978 United States Army Medical Corps Prosthetist / Orthotist Clinical Instructor
Walter Reed Army Medical Center

Studies

2000 Bachelor of Science in Business Administration La Salle University Mandeville, LA
1977 New York University Medical School Orthotics and Prosthetics Certificate program
Certification as Certified Prosthetist
1973 Northwestern University Medical School Orthotics and Prosthetics
Certificate program
Certification as Certified Orthotist
1970 High School Diploma Don Bosco High School Paterson, NJ

Certifications:

American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics CPO 666
Board of Orthotist Certification C10997
Veterans Administration (VAQP) Qualified Prosthetist 291

Honors

Fellow American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists 1999
Board Certified Orthotist and Prosthetist (ABC) 1977
BOCOP (Board for Orthotist Certification International)
President, Maryland Association of Orthotists and Prosthetists 1987 – 2000
President, Region Three American Orthotic and Prosthetic Association 1987 - 1989
Panelist at national and local meetings throughout the United States
Board member of the American Cancer Society and was elected to the Board of Directors of the Greater Washington DC United Cerebral Palsy association in 2006.

Affiliations:

American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists
American Amputee Association
American Association of Orthotists and Prosthetists
Member Physicians for Peace
Member Community of Life Care Planners (LCP)

Training and Certifications

January 1973	Lower extremities Orthotics for Orthotists Northwestern University, Chicago Ill.
February 1973	Spinal Orthotics for Orthotists Northwestern University, Chicago Ill.
April 1973	Upper Extremity Orthotics for Orthotists Northwestern University Chicago, Ill.
July 1974	Continuing Educational Seminar Northwestern University Chicago, Ill.
October 1974	Certification as Orthotist American Board for Certification Alexandria, VA
January 1975	Pneumatic Orthosis Seminar Dover, Delaware
March 1976	Certification for Camp Orthotics New York, NY
August 1976	Below knee Prosthetics New York University New York, NY
January 1977	Upper Extremity Prosthetics New York University New York, NY
June 1977	Above Knee Prosthetics New York University New York, NY
June 1977	Extension of Title to include Prosthetics American Board for Certification Alexandria, VA
June 1977	Member American Orthotic and Prosthetic Association Alexandria, Va.
November 1977	Designation as VA Qualified Prosthetist
April 1978	Member, Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists

June 1987	Advanced Prosthetic Technical Seminar. Chattanooga, TN
May 1988	Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists Atlantic City, NJ
January 1989	AOPA. Annual meeting and CEC 1-89 Boston, Mass
May 1989	American Orthotic and Prosthetic Assn. Regional meeting Pittsburgh, PA.
April 1990	AOPA Annual meeting and CEC 1-90 Atlantic City, NJ
September 1990	Envoy Representative Stockholm, Sweden - Helsinki, Finland. To exchange methods and treatments for Orthotics and Prosthetics
May 1991	AOPA. Annual meeting and CEC 2-91 Williamsburg VA (CHAIRMAN)
August 1991	AAOP and CEC 5-91 New Orleans LA
October 1991	AAOP Annual Conference Anaheim, CA
May 1992	AOPA Regional Meeting Hershey, PA (CHAIRMAN)
July 1992	Annual Meeting and Symposium CAOP Edmonton, Canada BC
October 1992	American Orthotics and Prosthetics Assn. Annual Meeting Winterhaven, FL
January 1993	Named to the Medicare Task Force, for the Medicare transition Alexandria, VA
May 1993	AOPA. Regional meeting and CEC 2-93 Hunt Valley, Maryland (CHAIRMAN)
September 1994	Sole author and presenter of the Orthotic Learning Center (An intensive 2 day program for Orthotic Practitioners). Presented from 1994 – 1998 throughout the US and Canada.
October 1994	American Orthotic and Prosthetic Assn. Annual Meeting Washington, DC
September 1995	American Orthotic and Prosthetic Assn. Annual Meeting San Antonio, TX
February 1996	Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists Annual Symposium Orlando FL
May 1996	National Association of Retail Druggists Rx Expo '96 Philadelphia, PA
June 1996	Springlite Prosthetics System Course Baltimore, MD
September 1996	AOPA CEC 96 Cincinnati, OH
October 1996	AOPA Medicare Coding Seminar Philadelphia, PA
May 1996	AAOP CEC 3 - 97 Atlantic City, NJ
September 1997	AOPA National Assembly Charlotte, NC
November 1997	AAOP CEC 5 - 97 Tampa, FL
March 1998	AAOP Prosthetists National Assembly Miami, FL
March 1998	Charleston Bending Brace Seminar Newington, CN
April 1998	Hanger Educational symposium Dallas, TX (Co-Chairman)
January 1999	CEC 1-99 Alexandria, VA
March 1999	Prosthetist Orthotist Team member Project HELPS Guatemala, MX
March 1999	AAOP National Assembly New Orleans, LA Speaker
April 1999	Hanger Educational symposium Dallas, TX (Co-Chairman)
January 2000	Sole author and presenter of the "Complete Halo Workshop" An intensive one hour program on acute spinal fracture management. Presented throughout the US 2000 – Present
March 2000	AAOP National Assembly San Diego, CA (Speaker)
October 2000	AAOP National Symposium Dallas, TX Speaker
February 2001	Hanger Educational Conference Reno, NV Speaker
August 2001	AAOP Insurance committee meeting Roanoke, VA
February 2002	Hanger Education Conference Reno, NV Speaker
February 2003	8 hour intensive educational program for therapists in Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia (Speaker)
May 2003	
February 2003	Hanger Education conference Reno NV Speaker
March 2003	AOPA Insurance committee meeting Chicago IL

November 2003 Prosthetic team member Physicians for Peace 'Walking Free' Program Santa Domingo Dominican Republic

May – June 2004 8 hour intensive educational program for therapists in Maryland and Virginia (Speaker)

July 2004 Treatment of the Dysvascular Foot Patient FAOP Florida (Speaker)

August 2004 Bloodborne Pathogens and associated problems AAOP Hollywood, FL

February 2005 Hanger Educational Symposium Reno, NV (Speaker)

May – June 2005 8 hour intensive educational program for therapists in Maryland, DC and VA

August 2005 Lead Prosthetist for International training mission to Amman Jordan to develop training initiatives for Iraqi Prosthetic Technicians to enable them to become Limb Makers

September 2005 Insignia 3D laser prosthetic scanner training Oklahoma, City OK

October 2005 Otto Bock C-Leg training program Minneapolis, MN

January 2005 Innovative Neurotronics Training and Certification Bethesda, MD

February 2006 Hanger Educational Symposium Reno, NV

May 2006 Lead instructor for Multi-National Education program training Iraqi Prosthetic Technicians to enable them to become Limb Makers. Met with and worked closely with Royal members and physicians from Jordan and Iraq to develop a structured program for continued advancement of Prosthetics and Orthotics for the Arab Nations. Amman, Jordan

June 2007 OSSUR Proprio Ankle program Leonardtown, MD

March 2008 AAOP conference Orlando, FL

April 2008 Clinical Educator St. Petersburg College Tampa, FL

May 2008 Orthopaedic Technik International O&P Congress Leipzig, Germany

June 2008 Clinical Educator CSUDH Mission Viejo, CA

July 2008 Clinical Educator Alabama State Chapter AAOP meeting. Birmingham, AL

August, 2008 Clinical Educator Texas State Chapter AAOP Austin, TX

August 2008 Clinical Educator Haley, VA center Tampa, FL

September 2008 AOPA conference Chicago, IL

September 2008 Clinical Educator Gait Optimization through design Santa Anna, CA

October 2008 Clinical Educator Gait Optimization through design Chattanooga, TN

October 2008 AAOP NE conference Mt. Snow, VT (Speaker)

November 2008 Lecturer 4th Jordanian – 3rd Pan-Arab Medical Congress of PM&R Amman, Jordan

November 2008 AAOP NJ Chapter Atlantic City, NJ (Lecturer)

December 2008 Clinical Educator, VA Team Rehab program Fillauer, Chattanooga, TN

January 2009 Reciprocal Gait Orthosis design and prescription considerations presentation. Richmond SCI department Richmond, Virginia VA Hospital

February 2009 Clinical Educator, Mexican Society of Orthotists and Prosthetists Orthotic educational program Guadalajara, MX

March 2009 (Speaker), AAOP National conference Atlanta, GA

May 2009 (Speaker), NW chapter AAOP Seattle, WA

May 2009 (Speaker), Louisiana State mtg. Shreveport, LA

July 2009 (Speaker) Florida Orthotic and Prosthetic association mtg. Orlando, FL

August 2009 (Speaker) Texas Chapter of Academy of O&P Austin, TX. Dynamic orthoses and Human Anatomy

August 2009 Consultant Haley VA Hospital Tampa, FL SCI patient and RGO presentation

September 2009 (Speaker), Tennessee Chapter meeting TSOP Franklin, TN

September 2009 Panelist, Stance Control Orthoses, Safety in the workplace. Seattle, WA

November 2009 Comprehensive Orthotic technical seminars Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto, Montreal
Canada on behalf of OrtoPed (Presenter)

February 2010 (Presenter), Hanger Ed Fair Reno, NV

March 2010 (Lecturer), Advanced Technical Workshop Fillauer Companies, Chattanooga, TN

April 2010 (Presenter), POMAC seminar New York, New York. Dynamic Orthosis in your practice

May 2010 (Lecturer), Chairman - ISPO International Conference Leipzig, Germany

May 2010 (Lecturer), Gomez International Congress Bogota, Columbia on Spinal Trauma.

June 2010 (Lecturer) Fillauer @ OTS Gait Optimization through Design Asheville, NC.

August 2010 (Lecturer), Texas Chapter of the American Academy of Prosthetists and Orthotists, Austin, TX

August 2010 (Lecturer), Arkansas Chapter of the American Academy of Prosthetists and Orthotists, Little Rock, AR

Additional lectures and programs available upon request

Positions and Affiliations

June 1970 - February 1971	Paterson Brace and Limb, Paterson New Jersey, Orthotic Assistant
March 1971- July 1971	United States Army Medical Training Facility Health Sciences Command, Fort Sam Houston San Antonio, Texas. Medical Specialist MOS 91B
July 1971- October 1973	United States Army, Valley Forge General Hospital Valley Forge, Pa. Staff Orthotist Prosthetist, Orthotic Prosthetic Consultant. MOS 42C3H
October 1973 -March 1978	United States Army, Walter Reed Army Medical Center Washington, DC Staff Orthotist Prosthetist Instructor, Orthotics. Department of the Army Health Sciences Command Washington, DC - MOS 43C3H
March 1977	Established Anne Arundel Orthopaedics Inc. Annapolis, Maryland.
October 1984	Established Southern Maryland Brace and Limb, Hughesville, Maryland
March 1987- Present	President, Maryland Orthotic and Prosthetic Association
July 1987	Secretary Treasurer American Orthotic and Prosthetic Assn. Region III
July 1987	Established Northern Virginia Orthotics and Prosthetics Reston, Va.
September 1987	Established Orthotic and Prosthetic Services Annapolis, Maryland
May 1989	President - Elect American Orthotic and Prosthetic Assn. Region III
May 1991	President, American Orthotic and Prosthetic Assn. Region III
May 1999	Fellow, American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists
January 1999 – January 2006	Regional Vice President, Hanger Prosthetics and Orthotics, Bethesda, MD
January 2006 – April 2007	Area Practice Manager Hanger Prosthetics and Orthotics, Washington, DC Metropolitan District
February 2008 – July 2014	Clinical Educator Fillauer Companies, Chattanooga, TN
July 2014 – Present	Author, Consultant Orthotist / Prosthetist LifeCare Plan developer, Facility Accreditation Auditor

Consultant Prosthetist and Orthotist for:

(Past affiliations)

Department of the Army, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, DC
Veterans Administration Hospital Washington, DC
National Institute of Health Bethesda, MD
Mt. Vernon Hospital Mt. Vernon, VA
Anne Arundel Medical Center Annapolis, MD
Calvert Memorial Hospital Prince Frederick, MD
Lynchburg General Hospital Lynchburg, VA

Professional Papers and Presentations:

Papers:

Reflections in a Mirror	O&P Almanac	1984
To Collect or Not to Collect	O&P Almanac	1989
Survival Kit for Prosthetic users	In Motion Magazine	1990
High Tech Prosthetics	Maryland Tech Gazette	1998
Prosthetic Sock Myths	In Motion Magazine	2001
Why do we put cream in our Coffee? (The need for updated Technology in the field of Prosthetics and Orthotics)	O&P Almanac	2003
Orthotic Treatment of the Dysvascular Foot Patient	O&P Business News	2005
Over the Counter Analgesics for the Amputee patient (submitted for consideration) AOPA Almanac		2007
Today's view of Tomorrow	(Op-Ed) O&P Almanac	2009
The Clinical use of Passive Standers and the Reciprocal Gait Orthosis	ACPOC Journal	2013
Reflections in a Mirror (a Retrospective article) (Submitted for consideration)	AOPA Almanac	2016
Differentiating between Orthotics And Prosthetics	TASA Journal	2016

Presentations: (Date Written)

The Orthotic Learning Center	1994
Bloodborne Pathogens workshop	1998
Presentation techniques	1999
To Expand or Not to Expand	2000
BOC Certification review course	2000
The complete HALO workshop	2000
Public Speaking	2000
Training program for Iraqi Technicians	2005
Treatment of the Dysvascular Foot Patient	2008
Clinical indications for Stance Control in Orthotics	2010
Advanced utilization of the RGO in High level amputees	2012
Introduction to Musculoskeletal Anatomy	2012
Safety in the Workplace	2012
What Happened to the Person that I Hired (Bad Hire or Bad Train)	2013
Understanding Why to know How	2012
Achieving Maximum LE Orthotics outcomes	2014

Published Books:

The Complete Review and Study Guide for Orthotics SRS publishing	2009
The Complete Review and Study Guide for the Certified Orthotic Fitter SRS publishing	2009
The Complete HALO Fixator Manual and Study Guide SRS publishing	2009
The Certified Mastectomy Fitter Study and Reference Guide SRS publishing	2009
The Lower Extremity Prosthetics Study and Reference Guide SRS Publishing	2010
The Upper Extremity Prosthetics Study and Reference Guide SRS Publishing	2010
The Complete Review and Study Guide for Prosthetics SRS Publishing	2012
The Complete Review and Study Guide for Pedorthics SRS Publishing	2012

B.A.S.R.A. Prosthetics for Life - Commissioned published works

Basra Benchworker INSTRUCTOR educational program	2012
Basra Benchworker Student educational program	2012

Professional Society Membership

American Orthotic and Prosthetic Association
American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists

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