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1. Studies pertaining to quality of life (QoL) in amputees are limited in methodological study design and in presentation of descriptive characteristics of the study population (*this thesis*).
2. Being younger and employed, daily use of prosthesis and non-use of an assistive device have a positive influence on the adjustments to amputation and prosthesis (*this thesis*).
3. Presence of comorbidity, and residual stump and phantom limb pain affect QoL negatively (*this thesis*).
4. Appropriate vocational rehabilitation can help in improving the employment opportunities among young amputees (*this thesis*).
5. Face-to-face administration of questionnaires ensures higher response rate and more robust data collection (*this thesis*).
6. Probable causes of rejection and non-use of prosthesis, as well as the choice of assistive devices over prosthesis should be studied more.
7. The higher incidence of accidents and growing incidence of premorbid conditions will lead to increased incidence of amputation in developing countries.
8. Hard conditions of life are indispensable to bringing out the best in human personality (*Alexis Carell*).
9. True knowledge exists in knowing that you know nothing (*Socrates*).
10. Imagination is more important than knowledge (*Albert Einstein*).