

The team physician examined all patients with permission. Photo and video documentation of gait, prostheses, mobility aids, and injuries were obtained with each individuals expressed permission.

Data was analyzed by two-tailed Fisher's Exact Test to compare RNL scores between groups, and to compare socioeconomic and demographic variables. In the analysis of the RNL and socio-economic data, we did not include the children who were surveyed as the questions were not appropriate for children.

Survey Sites

Sixty-one people with amputations were interviewed in rural Maputo province, in the districts of Moamba, Magude and Matutuine with interviews held at administrative posts Pessene, Ressano Garcia, Sabie, Moamba, Magude, Matoze, and Zitundo. In addition we interviewed 18 other physically impaired residents (non-amputation) from these districts

utilizing the same question format. Twenty non-impaired villagers from Moamba district were interviewed as controls for the RNL and socioeconomic data.

In Inhambane province collaboration was primarily through ADEMIMO. Four districts were identified for survey sites; Maxixe, Morrumbene, Homoine, and Jangamo. Message was spread in the same manner as in Maputo province, although more reliance on military affiliation was evident. Forty people with amputations were interviewed between these sites.

Finally, on two separate days surveys were conducted with twenty people with amputation selected at random within a defined geographical area in the city of Maputo.

For the interviews, we chose to survey all known persons with amputation in each site, irrelevant of the cause of amputation. As mentioned, we strongly felt that the issues and challenges faced by persons

Reintegration to Normal Living Index

1. I move around my living quarters as I feel necessary.
2. I move around my community as I feel necessary.
3. I am able to take trips out of town as I feel necessary.
4. I am comfortable with how my self-care needs (dressing, feeding, toileting, bathing) are met.
5. I spend most of my days occupied in a work activity that is necessary or important to me. (work activity may be paid employment, housework, volunteer work, school, etc.)
6. I am able to participate in recreational activities (hobbies, crafts, sports, games, etc.) as I want to.
7. I participate in social activities with family, friends, and/or business acquaintances as is necessary or desirable to me.
8. I assume a role in my family which meets my needs and those of other family members.
9. In general, I am comfortable with my personal relationships.
10. In general, I am comfortable with myself when I am in the company of others.
11. I feel that I can deal with life events as they happen.