



NBC Nightly News with Lester Holt features Hanger Clinic patient Nicole Grehn, a trauma nurse and bilateral above-knee amputee

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Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 20, 2018 – In June 2015, then 24-year-old Nicole Grehn collapsed unexpectedly in a gas station in a small town in Wisconsin. Her heart stopped 78 times before doctors induced her into a coma, and ultimately had to amputate both her legs to save her life. The otherwise healthy, active Grehn was faced with learning how to navigate life as a bilateral above-knee amputee.

In 2016, Grehn had a breakthrough when she attended her first Hanger Clinic Bilateral Above-Knee Amputee Bootcamp, an event tailored to those with her amputation level. She was so inspired by the people she met there, that she became determined to walk again independently with prosthetic legs, and to pursue a career in nursing.

Now, just a few short years later, Grehn is a registered nurse serving in the orthopedic trauma unit at Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin, the same hospital in Milwaukee where medical professionals saved her life. She is also a full-time prosthetics user, walking on two microprocessor-controlled prosthetic legs thanks to hard work, determination, and care from her Hanger Clinic team, including Milwaukee-based clinic manager Tom Current, CPO.

NBC Nightly News with Lester Holt covered Grehn's journey for their "Those Who Serve" segment. Watch the full story here: <https://www.nbcnews.com/nightly-news/video/woman-inspired-to-become-a-nurse-after-losing-both-legs-1375267395717?v=raila&>.

Learn more about Nicole Grehn here: <http://www.hangerclinic.com/empowered-stories/Pages/Nicole-Grehn.aspx>.

About Hanger Clinic: Founded in 1861 by the first amputee of the Civil War, Hanger Clinic, a subsidiary of Hanger, Inc. (NYSE: HNGR), owns and operates [approximately 800](#) patient care clinics nationwide. The certified clinicians of Hanger Clinic provide patients with the latest in orthotic and prosthetic solutions, including microprocessor devices for those with limb loss and neuromuscular technologies for those with paralysis due to stroke, MS and other debilitating conditions. For more information on Hanger, visit www.Hanger.com, and for more information on Hanger Clinic, visit www.HangerClinic.com.

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