An Orthosis is an externally applied device. It may also be called a ‘brace’, or ‘splint’. Therapeutic footwear may also be used as an orthosis.

The purpose and design of an Orthosis may change over time along with the changing needs of the patient.

If you want to find out more:

- BAPO (Professional body) [http://www.bapo.com/site/](http://www.bapo.com/site/)
- ISPO (international Society) [http://www.ispo.ws/](http://www.ispo.ws/)
- HPC (professional registration) [http://www.hpc-uk.org/](http://www.hpc-uk.org/)