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Presenter 1: Steve Lyons – Making Work Accessible for Injured or Disabled Workers

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Bio:

When I was 40, I decided that as an adult I really should read the letters from the specialists that I was copied into. The first letter I read said that I was *"a remarkable young man dealing with a severe disability extremely well"*. My first thought was *"I'm 40, that's not young ..."* that was followed by *"severe disability? Really?"* For whatever reason everyone else saw that a man who was born with only one fully formed limb who lives his life as if that was the normal amount of limbs with little to no complaining was, pretty remarkable.



Many have said that it isn't the getting knocked down that's hard, it's the getting back up that is the real battle, and that's true. Only having on arm means that the knockdowns are common, and they come from many areas and getting up has, quite often, been very difficult. I don't claim to have the answer to life's problems, but I can offer insight into how to get up or help others get up.

