

SUCCESS STORY

The Rehabilitation Center

 Anderson Hospital

Christopher Armstrong

Admitting Diagnosis: Major multiple trauma

Admission Date: 04-25-2018

Discharge Date: 05-08-2018

Discharge Location: Home

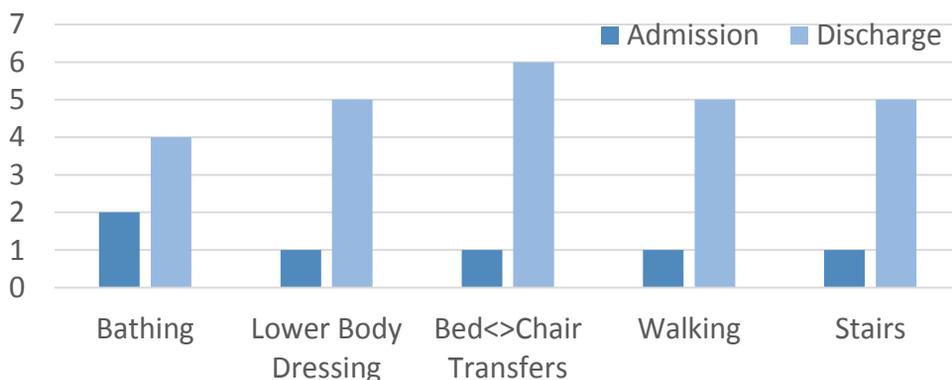


Chris's Success Story: In His Own Words

"A guy ran a stop sign and hit me on my motorcycle. I was ejected into traffic. I broke my back, hip, pelvis, sternum, fibula, foot, and nose. My left wrist was pretty much dust. I have a brace on my right leg, casts on my left arm and left leg, and a huge back brace. A few weeks ago, I didn't think I would be able to walk right, maybe ever again. But the staff here had another view. Here, they have a different approach and a different attitude than other treatment centers. They weren't satisfied with, 'Just take a step or two.' They gave me the confidence to know that I **can** walk, I **can** do the steps, I **can** do whatever I want to do...They gave me the impression that I was going to be alright, and that had a ripple affect for me, and now I believe it. Some people thought that this might not be the best place for me, a small town hospital handling my big-time injuries. But we had a lot of faith in our town and our hospital and felt confident about our choice. Now, on the way out, I can say that I haven't regretted choosing Anderson for a second. Each person that took care of me had a great attitude and it was genuine--you could tell they really wanted to take care of me." Mrs. Armstrong added: "You always want to know that someone will take care of your partner the way you would, if you're not there. That has absolutely been my experience here."

Outcomes

Chris discharged home after a 14-day rehab stay. During his stay, he went from requiring maximum assistance with bathing and dressing to requiring just a little bit of help with his braces. He progressed from requiring total assistance to transfer from a bed to a chair to being independent with a walker. He progressed from only pivoting to a chair to walking 90' without any assistance. The following reflect Chris's functional gains on a 0-7 scale (Functional Independence Measure), where higher scores indicate greater independence.



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