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Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute Brain Injury Rehabilitation

Specialized Services

Individuals with brain injury have a wide range of physical and functional challenges, as well as rehabilitation goals. To best meet those brain injury rehabilitation needs, Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute provides a full range of services to treat sleep/wake cycles, responsiveness and arousal, speech and swallowing disorders, spasticity, balance and vestibular conditions, vision problems and pain management. In addition, through our Driver Rehabilitation Program, appropriate individuals may be able to acquire the skills necessary to drive.

We offer support groups and educational programming that enable patients and their families to share information, discuss common concerns and draw on the experiences of others.

Our Outcomes

Studies show that persons with a brain injury treated at an acute rehabilitation unit like Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute achieve better outcomes than those in other care settings. On average, persons served at a brain injury rehabilitation program achieve greater improvement and a higher level of functional independence.



IRI is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

- » Stroke Specialty Program
- » Spinal Cord Injury Specialty Program
- » Brain Injury Specialty Program
- » Comprehensive Integrated Inpatient Rehabilitation Program



The Joint Commission accredits IRI as a program of CHI Health Immanuel

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Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) affects more than 1.5 million Americans each year. Yet no two injuries are alike nor do they create the same challenges for patients and their families. Furthermore, studies show that where an individual goes for treatment can make all the difference in his or her recovery.



Our Approach

Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute delivers an integrated and intensive brain injury rehabilitation program including medical, nursing and therapy care to best address the complex needs of each patient. We provide the earliest possible start to brain injury rehabilitation to help optimize the recovery of individuals at every level of injury.

Our goal-directed approach helps brain injury survivors to:

- » maximize arousal and responsiveness
- » develop new cognitive and behavioral strategies to compensate for any deficits
- » improve physical function and mobility to enhance the skills needed to perform daily activities
- » overcome the psychological and social problems that often interfere with the adjustment to an independent life at home, work and/or in the community

Our brain injury rehabilitation program also focuses on the unique needs of individuals who have a dual-diagnosis of traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury that require advanced treatment for their complex physical, functional and cognitive challenges.

Our Patients

Brain injuries, traumatic or acquired, range from mild to severe and interfere with the way a person thinks, behaves and functions. This leaves individuals unable to perform basic tasks due to affects with mobility, memory, concentration, communication, speech, swallowing and vision. Recovery can take weeks or months. For others, it is a lifelong process. Our brain injury rehabilitation team understands this and will work to maximize skills and independence.



Our Rehabilitation Team

The interdisciplinary team draws on the expertise and experience of brain injury rehabilitation specialists, including:

- » Physicians who manage complex medical needs
- » Rehabilitation nurses who provide compassionate, evidence-based care
- » Physical, occupational and speech therapists who involve patients in an intensive treatment program for a minimum of three hours each day
- » Licensed Clinical Social Work and neuropsychologists who address cognitive, emotional or behavioral issues
- » Dietitians who ensure proper nutrition to promote healing and control diabetes or other conditions
- » Case managers who coordinate care and discharge plans

Treatment, Technology & Research

- » Videofluoroscopy and Vital Stim® to diagnose and treat swallowing disorders
- » Zero G - Body Weight Supported Training (BWST) and Bioness® wireless electrical stimulation devices to improve gait performance and mobility
- » Robotic therapies Armeo®Spring, constraint induced therapy and electrical stimulation to improve arm and hand function
- » Cognitive therapies and computer-based activities
- » Pharmacologic interventions