## SHEPHERD CENTER



HI, MY NAME IS DWAYNE MORROW. I'M A CURRENT VOLUNTEER AND A FORMER SPINAL CORD INJURY PATIENT AT SHEPHERD CENTER. SHEPHERD CENTER SPECIALIZES IN MEDICAL TREATMENT, RESEARCH AND REHABILITATION FOR PEOPLE WITH SPINAL CORD AND BRAIN INJURY.

MY NAME IS AMY BOULWARE. I'M ALSO A CURRENT VOLUNTEER AND MY DAUGHTER'S A FORMER BRAIN INJURY PATIENT AT SHEPHERD CENTER. SHEPHERD CENTER WAS FOUNDED IN 1975. It's located in the heart of Atlanta, Georgia. Atlanta's highway system and

INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT MAKE IT EASY TO TRAVEL TO AND FROM ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD.

Shepherd Center is ranked by U-S News and World Report among the top ten rehabilitation hospitals in the nation. The hospital provides comprehensive services from intensive care to inpatient rehabilitation to outpatient therapy. We want you to know you can feel confident about Shepherd Center's expertise and its staff's incredible dedication to compassionate care that helps restore independence and hope.

We work so hard at making sure that our staff create an environment that sends a message out—a message that says we're sorry you're injured but it's not the end of the world. There are lots of things that you can do and we work on that culture every day and I think that culture is a strong contributor to why we produce better outcomes than other places, because we get people moving in the right direction.

I WAS GIVEN A ONE PERCENT CHANCE OF EVER WALKING AGAIN BUT THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE SHEPHERD CENTER WAS ONE THAT GAVE ME THE ABILITY TO PUSH THE LIMITS TO SEE WHAT WAS POSSIBLE. I KIND OF WAS A LITTLE SCARED BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT AND TRANSITIONING FROM BEING ABLE TO WALK TO BEING IN THE CHAIR, IT WAS A REALLY DIFFICULT TRANSITION.

ATLANTA SHEPHERD HAS BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING THAT SHEPHERD IS THE PLACE WHERE HOPE BEGINS AGAIN. WE SEE FOUR HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS WITH BRAIN INJURY HERE. WE SEE OVER THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY INDIVIDUALS WITH SPINAL CORD INJURY A YEAR. OUR STAFF HAVE THE EXPERTISE. WE HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE AND OUR OUTCOMES EXCEED NATIONAL AVERAGES. SO WHAT'S NEXT? IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT SOME SPECIFIC TOPICS SUCH AS HOUSING, FAMILY TRAINING, RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY AND RETURNING TO HOME, SCHOOL, OR WORK PLEASE WATCH SOME OF SHEPHERD CENTER'S RELATED VIDEOS THAT WILL HELP ANSWER YOUR QUESTION.

If you want an in-person introduction to Shepherd Center to assist you in the decision-making process, the hospital admission staff will be glad to arrange a tour for the patient's family member or representative. If you know Shepherd Center is the place you want to start rebuilding your life, then the hospital staff and access case managers can begin the admissions process anywhere in the United States within twenty-four hours of referral. Thank you for your time and we look forward to helping you make a comeback.