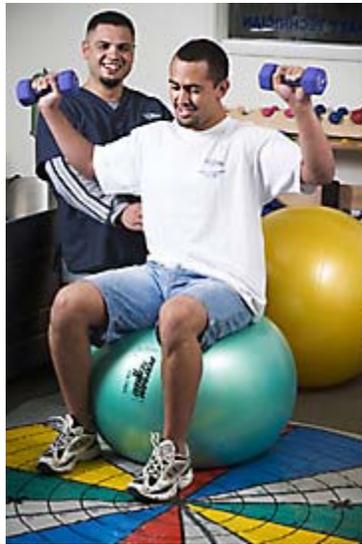


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Polytrauma Network Site Rehabilitation Program

Mission: To provide comprehensive rehabilitation services to individuals with complex physical, cognitive, and mental health problems caused by severe and disabling trauma; to assist in their transition into the community; and to provide support to their families.



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POLYTRAUMA NETWORK SITE PROGRAM

The Polytrauma Program offers a variety of services to help patients regain as much function as possible. There are **inpatient rehabilitation services** provided in the Comprehensive Rehabilitation and Nursing Center attached to the VAMC. The Medical Center and CNRC are accredited by The Joint Commission and the rehabilitation program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for Medical Rehabilitation. There are also

outpatient services available which are tailored to the individual's needs.

The Program Offers:

- ◆ Comprehensive interdisciplinary assessment
- ◆ Individualized case management for health care and discharge planning
- ◆ Education and counseling for patients and families
- ◆ Specialized services such as vocational training, blind rehabilitation, community re-entry, pain management

Patient Population:

The program accepts patients with multiple diagnoses, including:

- Neurological deficits
- Visual/auditory deficits
- Amputations
- Orthopedic cases
- Special medical needs
- Mental health needs

You need to meet several requirements to be admitted to the program:

- 1) Be medically stable enough to participate in therapy
- 2) Show improvement in a reasonable period of time
- 3) Be willing to participate in therapy as directed
- 4) Have needs in 2 or more areas:
 - Mobility
 - Activities of daily living
 - Communication
 - Behavior/Cognition
 - Equipment/Training
 - Mental health
 - Sensory impairment

Team Members:

You and your family
Physiatrist (Rehabilitation Physician)
Case manager/Social Worker
Occupational Therapist
Physical Therapist
Speech-Language Pathologist
Neuro-psychologist
Prosthetist/Orthotist