Shepherd Center

Shepherd Center is a private, not-for-profit, hospital located in Atlanta, Ga. Founded in 1975, Shepherd Center specializes in medical treatment, research and rehabilitation for people with spinal cord injuries, brain injuries, multiple sclerosis, spine and chronic pain and other neuromuscular conditions. Shepherd Center is ranked by U.S. News & World Report among the top 10 rehabilitation hospitals in the nation.

Our Staff and Facility

- Our main campus is located at 2020 Peachtree Road in the Buckhead community, about four miles north of downtown Atlanta.
- The facility has 152 beds, including a 10-bed intensive care unit.
- Shepherd Center employs more than 1,600 full- and part-time employees.
- Outpatient facilities house spinal cord and brain injury day programs, a multiple sclerosis center, urology services, a spine and chronic pain center and assistive technology services.
- Shepherd Center has a fitness center, indoor pool, gymnasium, weight room, track and art studio.
- Shepherd Center is one of 14 Model System of Care facilities for spinal cord injury.

Patient Data

- In 2015, Shepherd Center had 939 admissions to its inpatient programs.
- In 2015, Shepherd Center had 450 admissions to its day patient programs.
- More than 6,600 people were seen on an outpatient basis.

Medical and Rehabilitative Programs

- Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation programs
- Brain Injury Rehabilitation programs
- Comprehensive Rehabilitation Unit and ICU programs
- Spine and Chronic Pain
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Neuromuscular Disorders

Other Specialty Services

- Assistive technology (wheelchairs and equipment needed by people with disabilities)
- Neuropsychological and psychological services
- Vocational counseling services
- Adapted sports and leisure activities (recreation therapy)
- Beyond Therapy® – This program is a rigorous, activity-based therapy program to help people improve lifelong health, minimize secondary complications and get the most out of any new neural links to their muscles.
- Shepherd Center provides intensive and comprehensive family and patient education and training to learn important information about spinal cord or brain injury and care.

Points of Distinction

- Shepherd Center is ranked as one of the top 10 rehabilitation hospitals in the nation by U.S. News & World Report.
- Shepherd is the largest specialized care hospital of its kind in the United States.
• It is the only rehabilitation facility with an ICU and acute medical components on site.

• Shepherd offers specialized rehabilitation programs for adolescents, patients on ventilators, and patients with dual diagnoses and neuromuscular diseases.

• Patient outcomes, such as return-to-home and return-to-work rates, are among the best in the nation.

• The facility is “family-focused” given its unique history and link to the Shepherd family.

• Shepherd provides a friendly, optimistic environment that conveys a sense of hope to patients, families and visitors.

• Shepherd Center maintains a key role in existing and emerging spinal cord, brain injury and multiple sclerosis research.

• Shepherd Center provides up to 30 days of free housing to families of newly injured rehabilitation patients, if both the family and patient live more than 60 miles from the hospital. Complimentary housing is also available for up to eight weeks for patients and families in Shepherd Center’s Day Programs if both the family and patient live more than 60 miles from the hospital.

**Contact Us**

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