A physician-led, 10-member, dedicated treatment team.

TREATMENT

We achieve more functional independence and return to school and community if they go to a hospital that treats a high volume of catastrophically injured patients. Our experience counts. Studies show that patients are more likely to experience fewer medical complications, experience counts. Recognizing that adolescents rely on school experiences and positive peer interactions for much of their self-esteem, we facilitate the back-to-school transition. Designed by the individual patient, the program can include in-school and age-appropriate activities, security and privacy.

ADOLESCENT PROGRAM

An interdisciplinary approach to addressing the teen patient's special need for independence, socialization, and positive peer interactions. Education and training in problem solving, stigma management, self-advocacy, drug and alcohol awareness, and vocational assessments are another part of our work. The program includes:

• Private rooms to allow patients to spend the night,
• A high priority on the involvement of family and friends.
• Driving evaluations, augmentative communication utilizations.
• Assessments, and vocational assessments.
• Education within two weeks of discharge. Of those, 95 percent graduate on time.

EDUCATION

For adolescents with a brain injury, 95 percent return to school within two weeks of discharge. Of those, 95 percent graduate on time, as well as instruction in medical issues that may arise during the school day.

RETURN TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

For those with spinal cord injured adolescent patients return to school when possible. For adolescents, as well as instruction in medical issues that may arise during the school day.

FROM SOUTH OF ATLANTA

Follow I-75 North or I-85 North through downtown Atlanta via the I-75/I-85 connector. • Bear left at the “Y” onto “I-85 North /Greenville” • Take exit #91 “Clairmont Rd./Decatur” and turn right toward Decatur. • Follow Clairmont Rd. through three major intersections — the third is North Druid Hills Rd. • Cross intersection and turn right into the second driveway on the right after the intersection.

FROM NORTHEAST OF ATLANTA

Take I-85 South to exit #91 “Clairmont Road/Decatur.” • Turn left onto Clairmont Rd. (do not take I-85 access road). • Follow Clairmont Rd. through three major intersections — the third is North Druid Hills Rd. • Cross intersection and turn right into the second driveway on the right after the intersection.

FROM I-285

Take I-285 East to exit #39A “Decatur/Atlanta - Highway 78 West - Stone Mountain Freeway” toward Decatur. • Take exit #1 “Valley Brook Rd./North Druid Hills Rd.” and bear to the right • Continue on North Druid Hills Road for about two miles, to the next major intersection - Clairmont Rd. • Turn left onto Clairmont Rd. • Turn right into the second driveway on right.