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NO ONE EXPECTS THE UNEXPECTED. BUT WE DO.

Life doesn't always go as planned. But it's comforting to know that if you sustain a brain or spinal cord injury, have a stroke or live with multiple sclerosis, or spine or chronic pain, you have access to one of the nation's top 10 rehabilitation hospitals. Based in Atlanta, it's a place where you get the most advanced technology and highest levels of specialized care, as well as something really amazing - hope. So when the unexpected happens, turn to the leader - Shepherd Center. To learn more, visit shepherd.org.



NEUROREHABILITATION EXPERTS



Shepherd Center Releases Video Series for Women with Spinal Cord Injury

Videos funded by grant from Craig H. Neilsen Foundation address life after SCI for women.

Shepherd Center recently released "Empowering Women After SCI: Safe Health Care Goes Beyond Accessibility," a video series that aims to empower women who have sustained spinal cord injuries (SCI) to advocate for their own health and wellness. The videos also serve to better equip healthcare providers to treat women with SCI.

"Research shows that while both men and women with disabilities are at a greater risk for health challenges and health care disparities, women in particular are more likely to delay or avoid routine primary and preventative healthcare appointments, such as mammograms, pelvic exams and screenings for cervical cancer than their counterparts who do not have disabilities," said Teresa Foy, OT, Comprehensive Rehabilitation Unit program manager at ShepherdCenter. "Without these routine screenings and preventative care, women with disabilities are at an even higher risk for serious health complications. Through this video series, we hope to create opportunities for women with SCI to seek out the medical expertise they need and deserve to pursue lifelong health and wellness."

The video series was funded by a generous grant from the Craig H. Neilsen Foundation and donations from grateful Shepherd Center patients and families. The series covers topics ranging from doctor's office visits, diet and exercise, medical care, pregnancy, childbirth, parenting, fashion, dating and intimacy. The final content was determined based on the feedback from focus groups comprised of local consultants, consumers, peer supporters, ShepherdCenter's women's SCI support group and expert SCI clinicians. The videos feature open and honest commentary with female patients who have sustained spinal cord injuries, as well as interviews with medical experts.

You can view all nine videos on MyShepherd Connection or on ShepherdCenter's YouTube channel.