Specialized Services

As part of this dynamic stroke rehabilitation program, Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute provides a wide range of specialized services including orthotic services, assistive technologies, and advanced wheelchair, seating and mobility options. Our Driver Rehabilitation Program helps individuals develop the necessary skills to operate a vehicle and enjoy greater independence.

In addition, a stroke support group and educational programming gives patients and their families the opportunity to share information, discuss common concerns and learn from the experiences of others.

Continuum of Care

To help individuals successfully transition to life at home, work and in the community, Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute delivers a continuum of inpatient to outpatient care. Patients who participate in our outpatient rehabilitation program generally continue to reinforce the strengths and skills they have acquired.

Our Outcomes

Studies show that stroke survivors treated at an acute rehabilitation unit like Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute achieve better outcomes than those in other care settings. On average, persons served at an amputation rehabilitation program achieve greater improvement and a higher level of functional independence.

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» Stroke Specialty Program
» Spinal Cord Injury Specialty Program
» Brain Injury Specialty Program
» Comprehensive Integrated Inpatient Rehabilitation Program

The Joint Commission accredits IRI as a program of CHI Health Immanuel
Our Approach

Studies indicate that where a stroke survivor goes for treatment can make all the difference in his or her recovery. Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute, a specialized acute rehabilitation unit, delivers a comprehensive program of medical, nursing and therapy care to successfully address the individual needs of each stroke patient. Our approach to stroke rehabilitation tailors treatment to help patients:

» restore physical function and enhance the skills needed to perform daily activities
» build strength, improve balance and regain mobility
» improve speech and swallowing
» develop new cognitive and behavioral strategies to compensate for any deficits

Our Patients

Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute’s Stroke Rehabilitation program admits individuals at any age, at any stage in their lives and at any level of impairment. We also care for those patients whose stroke rehabilitation needs are additionally complicated by other existing medical conditions and/or difficulties with arousal, confusion, debility or age-related factors.

Our Rehabilitation Team

Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute’s interdisciplinary team draws on the expertise and experience of stroke rehabilitation specialists, including:

» Physicians who manage complex medical needs
» Rehabilitation nurses who provide compassionate, evidence-based care
» Physical, occupational and speech therapists who involve patients in an intensive treatment program for a minimum of three hours each day
» Licensed Clinical Social Work and neuropsychologists who address cognitive, emotional or behavioral issues
» Dietitians who ensure proper nutrition to promote healing and control diabetes or other conditions
» Case managers who coordinate care and discharge plans

Treatment, Technology & Research

Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute integrates medical treatment, nursing, therapies and technologies to support patient recovery. The team researches evidence-based studies of rehabilitation medicine to improve best clinical practices. Among the many technological advances now available are:

» Zero G - Body weight supported training (BSWT) to improve gait performance
» Robotic therapies to enhance motor function
» Advanced wheelchair seating, pressure mapping and mobility options
» Pharmacologic interventions for spasticity
» Videofluoroscopy and electrical stimulation to help diagnose and treat swallowing disorders
» Computer orthoptics devices like Dynavision® to address visual impairments

Recovering from a stroke can be one of the greatest challenges a person will ever face. However, research shows that early and specialized stroke rehabilitation can help to optimize an individual’s physical and cognitive recovery and enhance quality of life.