

Other Services

- Urology
- Psychology
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- Nutrition
- Community Reintegration
- Wound Care
- Social Work
- Driver Education
- Computer Education
- Telemedicine
- Hospital Based Primary Care
- Spinal Cord Damage Research



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Rehabilitation

Spinal Cord System Of Care

**James J. Peters
VA Medical Center**

Physical Therapy

Our staff of licensed Physical Therapists are trained specifically to assist in improving the functional mobility of veterans with Spinal Cord Injuries (SCI).

Areas of specialty include:

- Gait Training
- Transfer Training
- Assistive Device Prescription
- Orthotic Prescription
- Advanced Wheelchair Skill Training

Occupational Therapy

Our staff of trained and licensed professionals are skilled at evaluating individuals specific needs to determine appropriate adaptive equipment and techniques to allow individuals with SCI to become independent in the community.

Areas of Specialty Include:

- Activities of Daily Living
- Adaptive Equipment Prescription
- Splinting
- Fine Motor Training

Assistive Technology

The SCI Rehabilitation staff provide evaluations and prescription of assistive technologies for veterans with spinal cord injuries to promote independent living. This service is provided on a VISN wide basis to all properly referred veterans

Evaluations include, but are not limited to:

- Seating and Mobility
- Transfer Devices
- Environmental Control Units
- Custom Modifications
- Driving Aids



Aquatic Therapy

The James J. Peters VA Medical Center has a wheelchair accessible pool.

Pool Specifications

- 33' x 40'
- Ramp and stair entrance
- Heated for comfort

Benefits of Aquatic Therapy:

- Ability to progress weight bearing activities
- Low Impact Strengthening
- Provides a safe environment for gait training
- Decreases spasticity

Aquatic therapy is available on a case-by-case basis as determined by an individual's primary therapist.

Vocational Rehabilitation:

Employment Program (VR&E)/ Supported Employment Program are provided for veterans interested in returning to work post SCI. These programs guide the veterans through the vocational process and provide relevant training and resources.

Our Facilities

Weight Training

The James J. Peters VA Medical Center SCI unit is equipped with fully wheelchair accessible Universal weight equipment for all level SCI.

Body Weight Support Treadmill and Over ground Ambulation Training- Lokomat

The James J Peters VA Medical Center offers the latest technology to provide gait training. Body weight support systems are often used with or without a robotic driven orthosis that automates locomotion. Body Weight Supported Ambulation Training has been shown to be an effective intervention to improve over ground walking function for individuals with SCI. It allows for longer and more intensive training sessions and allows mass practice for task specific gait training.

