BRAIN INJURY PROGRAM

Roger C. Peace Hospital–Rehabilitation at Greenville Hospital System has been providing rehabilitation services for over 30 years. It is the only inpatient rehabilitation facility in South Carolina accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities for the treatment of traumatic and non-traumatic brain injuries.

Inpatient Admissions
The inpatient Brain Injury Program can admit patients from any hospital. Patients should be willing to participate in therapy, be medically and surgically stable, and be able to tolerate three hours of therapy a day.

Roger C. Peace Hospital cannot admit adult patients on a ventilator, with severe psychosis, or who do not have a safe discharge plan or enough family support to return home safely. For these patients, the hospital will provide referrals to a more appropriate program, such as a post-acute unit, assisted living facility, medically skilled nursing home, or outpatient program. Roger C. Peace Hospital does not discriminate based on age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or genetic information.

Services
To meet the medical, functional, psycho-social, and educational needs of brain injury patients, the following services are provided: 24-hour physician care, 24-hour nursing care, Physical therapy, Occupational therapy, Speech therapy, Neuropsychological services, Recreational therapy, Dietary services, Wound management, Respiratory care, Social work and case management, peer support, outpatient therapy, and an educational specialist.

Interventions include: self-advocacy, prevention of complications, functional independence, support services for families, identifying risk factors for recurrent brain injury, counseling and coping skills, and return to community activities.

Treatment Team
Patients are cared for by a team who has received special instruction in the treatment and care of those with brain injury. Most therapy sessions are individualized. Depending on the needs of the patient, recreational therapy may be conducted in a group setting.

The most important members of the team are you and your care giver. Care givers are expected to attend scheduled training sessions and be active members of the treatment team.

Inpatient Therapy Schedule
You can expect to attend physical therapy, speech therapy and occupational therapy each weekday. While most patients attend therapy for three hours a day, five days a week, some therapy is provided on Saturday depending on your treatment needs. You will receive a minimum of 180 minutes of therapy per day unless otherwise directed by the physician.
Characteristics
The Brain Injury Program admitted 120 patients in 2010. The average age of the brain injury patient was 50 years old. The pediatric team saw 23 patients with a brain injury who were also under the age of 18. On average it took 21 days in the hospital for most patients to reach their therapy goals. 10 patients could not reach their goals due to medical complications. Nine of ten people were very pleased with the services they received. Nine of ten patients were able to return to a community setting following hospitalization.

Discharge
A discharge transition plan will be developed when you are medically stable and have met your inpatient treatment goals. Your case manager will work with you to make the arrangements necessary to discharge you to either home health services, outpatient therapy services, or another level of care.

Outpatient Services
Outpatient services include physical, occupational, and speech therapy; neuropsychology; and case management. Therapy sessions are scheduled for one hour, two or three days per week depending on the needs of the patient.

Location
Roger C. Peace is located in Greenville, South Carolina on the campus of the Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center. This convenient location offers direct 24 hour services that are easy and immediately accessible including diagnostic imaging, laboratory services, specialty consults and pharmacy services. If emergent care or hospitalization in the acute setting is need this is also on site since Roger C. Peace is a facility within the hospital system.

Need more information?
We want to provide you with any information you need concerning your rehabilitation stay. The business office will help with any questions you may have about insurance, Medicare questions, or Medicaid benefits. Please call (864) 455-7716.

You can find additional facts about Roger C. Peace Hospital by visiting the Web site, www.ghs.org.