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**ADVANCING REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES
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It Could Happen to You or Someone You Love...

People with disabilities represent the single largest minority population in the United States and it is the only group that any one of us can join at any given time.

One in five individuals will experience a disabling condition during their lifetime. Disabilities can result from birth defect or the onset of a disease such as cancer, heart conditions, MS, ALS or Parkinson's. Catastrophic events such as car accidents, falls, abuse and, in the case of our service men or women, military combat can also lead to disabilities.

Are you convinced that this will not happen to you? Imagine this, while at a neighborhood garage sale, Drennan, just 3 years old, was hit by a car and dragged several feet before the driver realized what had occurred. Drennan suffered traumatic injuries to his brain, skull, face and other parts of his body.

or something as simple as going out for recess...

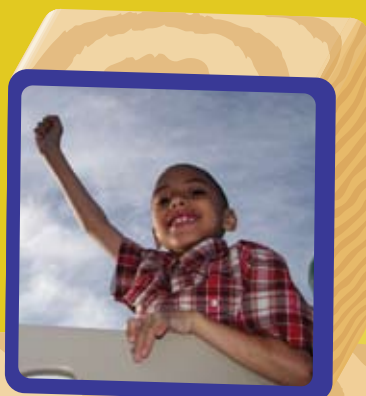
During school recess, 8-year-old Tabor began experiencing numbness in his legs. In the short time it took his teacher to take him to the nurse's office, Tabor had completely lost use of his legs. By the time he arrived at the hospital, he was paralyzed.

or out enjoying an afternoon with your family...

Which is exactly what Remington, 9 years old was doing. While Remington was brushing the underbelly of her horse it accidentally kicked her in the head. The impact pushed Remingtyn's right frontal lobe to the back of her brain.

or even on a dream vacation...

Upon arriving in Mexico for spring break with his family, Paul and his family headed straight to the beach. While swimming, Paul was swept up by a wave and landed head first in a sandbar. The impact resulted in a spinal cord injury.



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