THE REALITY OF SCI
Spinal cord injuries (SCI) have a devastating impact on the health and well-being of individuals. Many would categorize SCI as one of the greatest survivable catastrophes experienced by a human being. Health care services for people who sustain a SCI are highly specialized and complex. Regardless of cause or age at injury, SCI has far reaching consequences for individuals and their families.

SOME FACTS ON SCI IN CANADA

People living with SCI in Canada

86,000

121,000 projected by 2030

Number of new cases of SCI each year

4,300

5,800 a year by 2030

Traumatic SCI occurs most commonly in males between the ages of 20 to 29 years old...as the population ages more injuries will occur from falls.

COST OF TRAUMATIC SCI

Financial care requirements over a lifetime for each individual can vary from

$1.5 Million PARAPLEGIC

$3.0 Million QUADRIPLEGIC

The estimated economic cost of traumatic SCI for newly injured Canadians is

$2.7 Billion

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121,000 projected by 2030

Costs are even greater when including those with chronic injuries.


SOME FACTS ON SCI IN CANADA

Number of new cases of SCI each year

5,800 a year by 2030

Are re-hospitalized

2.6X more often

Require contact with a physician

2.7X more often

Require home care services

30X more hours

Have a far shorter life expectancy

15 to 30 fewer years