

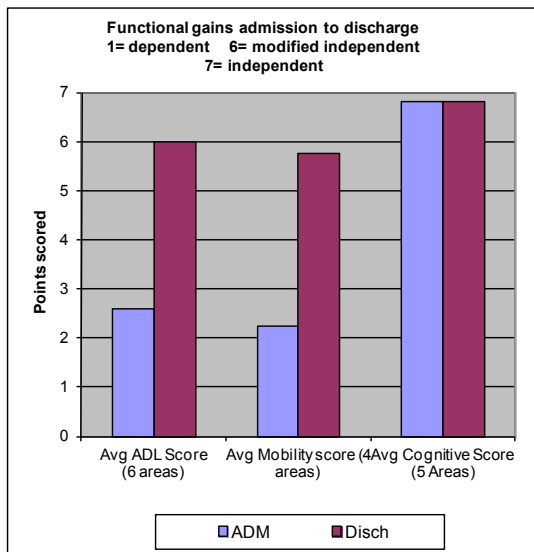


# Another Northeast Rehab success story from Brigham and Women's Hospital

Name: James Zaniboni  
 Diagnosis: Traumatic mylelopathy, cervical spondylosis, concussion, diverticulitis  
 Case Manager: Christine Ludwig  
 Admitted on: October 28, 2011  
 Discharged on: November 8, 2011

James, age 42, sustained his injury when he hit his head playing with his children at the playground. He noted significant weakness on his right side and pain. Upon admission to NRHN, James was at a wheelchair level and required assistance with all his activities of daily living. He was discouraged because he required assistance with his care and had always been very independent. He had also been hospitalized in three different hospitals before he could begin his journey at NRHN for his rehab and return to independence.

Additionally, his rehab therapy at NRHN was interrupted by an episode of diverticulitis that required acute hospitalization.



After hard work and persistence, James is now independent with a walker, able to climb stairs and manage all his personal care independently. He will continue with physical therapy to maximize his recovery.

Importantly, James met his most important goal. On the day of his discharge he was happy to go home to celebrate his son's first birthday. He believes it was the compassion, expertise, encouragement and team work of the NRHN staff that made the difference.



*"You can't teach the level of compassion they showed me. They always went above and beyond"*