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Exoskeleton Takes the Patient out of Hospital Bed and Wheelchair

Helping Patients Stand Again, Relearn to Walk

A big-hearted gift from two national organizations is going to help wounded men and women in the military, as well as stroke survivors and patients with spinal cord injuries.

The gift will allow those patients to stand – and walk – again.

They'll be using the Ekso GT wearable exoskeleton at the CHI Health Immanuel Rehabilitation Institute. The exoskeleton consists of a metal framework fitted with motorized "muscles" that strengthen and help the patient move. It gives them a new mobility, greater independence and a better quality of life.

You're invited to meet the patients and the people who brought the technology to Immanuel Rehab.

SoldierStrong and the Fraternal Order of Eagles both raised many thousands of dollars so vets could have access to the latest technology.

Please join us for a demonstration.

What: Exoskeleton Demonstration

When: Monday, August 28th, 1:30 p.m.

Where: CHI Health Rehabilitation Institute at Immanuel, 6901 North 72nd Street (east end of hospital)

CHI Health

CHI Health is a regional health network with a unified mission: nurturing the healing ministry of the Church while creating healthier communities. Headquartered in Omaha, the combined organization consists of 14 hospitals, two stand-alone behavioral health facilities, more than 150 employed physician practice locations and more than 14,000 employees in Nebraska and southwestern Iowa.

CHI Health is part of Catholic Health Initiatives (CHI), a national nonprofit health system based in Englewood, Colorado.

The faith-based system operates in 18 states and includes 103 hospitals, as well as long-term care, assisted- and residential living communities; community health services organizations; home health agencies and outpatient facilities and services.

In fiscal year 2016, CHI provided more than \$1.1 billion in financial assistance and community benefit. CHI generated operating revenues of \$15.9 billion and has total assets of approximately \$22.7 billion.

