Mike's Journey...

I survived a complex disease that resulted in the double amputation of my legs. My name is Mike*.

Now a wheelchair is my primary way of getting around. With the help of rehabilitation experts at the Glenrose, I am advancing my functional abilities to levels of independence far greater than I ever expected.

I participate in many hours of therapy at the Glenrose. I also complete exercises in my home to strengthen my upper body. .

And through access to state-of-the art computerized virtual rehabilitation technology, I continue to participate in the sports I love as part of my rehabilitation and I have fun doing it.

In preparation for his return home to rural Alberta, Mike and his rehabilitation team have been using Skype and videoconferencing to connect with hospital, educational and community-based services in his home town.

Various technologies will be used to continue specialized care, including potential for customized interactive virtual reality systems using Xbox 360 Kinect to help continue longer term rehabilitation needs at home.

Access to new and innovative technology help patients like Mike create a new vision for his dreams and translate hope into reality. And maybe one day he will represent his country at the Paralympic Games and turn his dreams "into gold".

*Note: To uphold patient privacy an alternative image and name is used.

Fact: The Glenrose receives approximately 81,500 outpatient visits each year via access to over 100 outpatient services. Patients are from Alberta, Western Arctic, British Columbia, Northwestern Saskatchewan & beyond. Donor support has propelled communication, learning and environmental supports using virtual reality/robotic platforms and numerous assistive technologies.



Courage. Encouraged.

Funds raised impact the rehabilitation journey of each patient cared for at the Glenrose by enhancing patient care through education, research and technology development.

Mike's resolve deserves your support.

Be an active partner in advancing the quality of specialized rehabilitative care. Donate today