

## ***ADMISSION CRITERIA***

### ***POLICY:***

Admission to The Lighthouse residential program is contingent on the resident's appropriateness for treatment.

### ***CRITERIA:***

1. Persons appropriate for residential treatment:
  - A. 18 years or older
  - B. In need of residential treatment with potential for functional gains, if applicable
  - C. Medically stable or with medical needs that can be managed in the residences as determined by the Registered Nurse
  - D. Able to participate in the program and tolerate the intensive rehabilitation process
  - E. Approval by administration/finance department
  - F. Diagnoses:
    - i History of neurological impairment including, but not limited to traumatic or non-traumatic brain injury (accident, surgical, circulatory, etc), or be in need of other rehabilitation services
    - ii History of traumatic or non-traumatic spinal cord injuries or diseases. The Lighthouse will admit people with all levels of spinal cord injury, and all levels of completeness of spinal cord dysfunction. (See SCI Admission Criteria)
    - iii Medically stable individuals with co-morbidities, such as a traumatic brain injury, may be admitted to the appropriate Lighthouse Residential Program
    - iv Additional neurobehavioral needs which may be included in residential assessment including cognitive impairment, and behavioral difficulties associated with TBI or other neurological disorder
  - G. The primary focus of treatment is for physical medicine, rehabilitation, medical/care needs and/or behavioral management
  - H. Individuals with a support system who can assist in a realistic transition plan
  - I. Individuals who are willing to abide by the rules of the program including on and off campus privileges
  - J. The individual will be an appropriate personality match for the residential unit which has an available bed. Attributes to be considered include but are not limited to: propensity for disruptive behavior, acuity of medical needs, intensity of therapy services and/or need for coma stimulation as assessed by the Clinical Director or their designee.
  - K. The individual does not require continual nursing care, isolation or medical restraint
2. Prospective residents are encouraged to tour The Lighthouse facilities prior to admission to the program.
3. Prospective residents must show the financial resources and ability to meet the charges either by private pay, insurance or other means.

### ***REVIEW PROCEDURE:***

The Clinical Director will annually review the admission criteria for continued appropriateness and revise the admission criteria following the mission and philosophy of The Lighthouse program. The admission criteria will be documented for public disclosure.

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