

A terrible motor vehicle accident leads to help to recovery from NRIO



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Our son, SM was involved in a catastrophic MVA in Alberta in February 2013. He was 24 years old. SM was clinically diagnosed with TBI and associated quadriplegia and remained comatose for an extended period of time. Repatriation to Ontario occurred in May 2013 and SM was admitted to NRIO Mississauga in July 2013 and upon his arrival he was clinically "vegetative." Today, four years later, due entirely to the dedication, care and compassion of his entire NRIO team, SM has progressed to a "conscious" state and continues to improve at a cognitive level.

He remains non-verbal, but he is able to communicate his various moods and feelings through unique vocal sounds and cognitive expressions. Beyond the day to day "institutional" therapies and activities at the residence, NRIO also assists our family with providing staff resources and necessary supplies and assistive devices to accommodate five family cottage visits annually as well as home visits every Sunday. His recognition and trust of stable and familiar faces significantly reduces anxiety and provides him a comfortable and safe environment. SM has a "long road" and we are all well aware that his map has no defined destinations. However, we do know that the team at NRIO are committed to the entire journey and will continue to carry SM along throughout his recovery. Please know, our gratitude, appreciation and admiration for Team NRIO, is beyond words. Hopefully, one day, SM may be able to provide them.

Mr. and Mrs. M.

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