

MEET THE DOCTORS

OF SCVMC REHABILITATION CENTER



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ABOUT DR. MCKENNA

Stephen McKenna, MD, graduated from Stanford University School of Medicine and completed a residency in internal medicine at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center. He is also certified in neuro critical care.

Through his work in the Rehabilitation Trauma Center, Dr. McKenna works closely with the PM&R staff to provide rehabilitation-focused care for patients in an intensive care setting.

In addition to providing direct patient care, Dr. McKenna is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine and Neurosurgery at the Stanford University School of Medicine. He is also the Director of the Silicon Valley Institute for Regenerative Medicine through which he co-led the nation's first Phase I clinical trial to determine the safety of stem cell therapies for individuals with spinal cord injury.



IN HIS WORDS

MOVING TOWARD A PROMISING FUTURE: Over the next decade, we can expect significant progress toward curing paralysis through stem cell and molecular treatments. In the meantime, the good news is that these efforts also lead to step-by-step improvements in function that can greatly impact people's lives and lead to meaningful recovery.

THE VALUE OF A SPECIALIZED TRAUMA CENTER: Our Rehabilitation Trauma Center (RTC) is one of only two sites in the United States where patients can receive critical care from an integrated rehabilitation team of physicians, nurses, psychologists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, respiratory therapists and case managers. As a result, the team can more effectively manage the complications of spinal cord and brain injury and facilitate a quicker transition along the continuum of care.

THE BRIDGE BETWEEN TECHNOLOGY AND PEOPLE: I went into medicine in order to bring my passion for patient care and my interest in research together. My work in the RTC supports the opportunity to connect innovative technologies with everyday medical practice in a way that directly benefits individual patients and their families.

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