

N W I Spinal Cord Injury Group

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The Northwest Indiana Spinal Cord Injury Group: *Our mission is to improve the quality of life for those with spinal cord injuries living in Northwest Indiana, through education, advocacy, peer support, and recreational outings.*

The Northwest Indiana Spinal Cord Injury Group is an informal support group that was formed in 2004 to provide peer support to those in Northwest Indiana living with spinal cord injuries and diseases.

The group meets on the first Saturday of each month and draws participants from Lake, Porter, and LaPorte counties. Our discussions include, but are not limited to quality of life issues, care for spinal cord injured persons, information concerning a cure for paralysis, adaptive sports, and advocacy efforts.

The Northwest Indiana Spinal Cord Injury Group participates in a number of activities and outings. Aside from the monthly meetings, members of the group are invited to attend two adaptive water ski clinics each summer, wheelchair basketball games with the Chicago Wheelchair Bulls, Day at the Races with the Sam Schmidt foundation, and Working 2 Walk the science symposium with Unite 2 Fight Paralysis.

The Northwest Indiana Spinal Cord Injury Group organized its first fund raising walk in September 2007. The Spinal Cord Injury Walk raises awareness and funds for spinal cord injury research and advocacy. The proceeds are split three ways, with one third donated to paralysis research, one third donated to Unite 2 Fight Paralysis, and one third staying with the group to facilitate meetings, outings, and advocacy.

Our hopes are that the group grows and more people in the spinal cord injured community feel empowered to live happy, healthy, productive lives.

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