



ASSOCIATES IN REHABILITATION MANAGEMENT, INC.



Our Goal

Return the injured worker to a productive lifestyle through a return to regular duty work with the insured or alternative employment at another employer site.

With our broad knowledge of community resources, we work closely with all parties to coordinate a cost-effective outcome.

Associates in Rehabilitation Management will service your claims with efficiency, and integrity.

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*Setting the Standard
in Disability Management*

Case Management Services

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Associates in Rehabilitation Management offers life care planning services utilizing nurse case managers who have specialized training, credentials, and experience to provide this type of service. Our nurses have received training from a nationally recognized program. This program provides specialized post-graduate training to qualified professionals in the accepted methodology of this process. The case managers who work with the specialty have a background to access services and identify resources necessary to best serve the needs of individuals with catastrophic injuries and other disabilities. Our nurses focus on obtaining the best care at the most reasonable cost in the appropriate setting. Life care planning today has practical everyday use and our case managers' case-loads often encompass a number of clients who have long term care needs, making them

a natural fit for this practice. Our case managers can also evaluate other agencies' life care plans for appropriateness

according to accepted methodology which can be beneficial in coming to a settlement of a high cost claim.



Life Care Plans Report Includes:

Formats can vary, but generally include a narrative summary of the individual's medical and vocational history, current and future care needs, and physical function. This is accompanied by a graphic chart that projects current and future cost analysis for equipment and services that will be needed for the individual's projected life span. These costs are projected based on current figures, and any inflationary costs or economic growth trends would require the expertise of economist. We can provide sanitized examples of life care plans that have been done by Associates in Rehabilitation Management's case managers.

Types of Files:

Life care planning was traditionally used by attorneys to provide a realistic basis for awarding damages in personal injury or liability cases. Today, life care planning is used in many other areas by the insurance industry to set reserves and manage claims in the most cost-effective manner. Examples of cases that would benefit from life care planning are:

- + Catastrophic injury such as brain or spinal cord injury
- + Amputations or specific loss cases
- + Catastrophic pediatric cases
- + Medical malpractice cases
- + Personal injury cases
- + Product liability cases
- + Total or partial disability settlements
- + Reserve setting for high cost claims
- + Structured settlements
- + Evaluation of opposing party's life care plan or settlement proposal

Benefits:

Life care planning can assist in providing assistance not only to the insurer in identifying potential costs to set reserves, but to the claimant and those involved in his/her care:

- + Health care needs can be identified through patient assessment and consultation with treating physicians.
- + Local suppliers and community resources can be identified to meet those needs most cost effectively.
- + Health care facilities can be identified for best outcome management for specific patient populations.
- + Specific programs can be identified for individuals with chronic conditions.
- + Collateral funding sources such as schools or government organizations could be identified.

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