

Trauma Survivors Network (TSN): An Overview for TIPPC

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What is The Trauma Survivors network?

Developed by the American Trauma Society (ATS), the leading organization advocating for the injured and their families.

GOAL: to help trauma patients and their families connect & rebuild their lives.

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The TSN is committed to:

- ▶ Providing valuable, practical information and referrals
- ▶ Connecting survivors with peer mentors and support groups
- ▶ Developing on-line communities of support and hope for trauma patients and their families
- ▶ Training health care providers to deliver the best care and support to patients and their families

The TSN Services...

The TSN offers [services](#) in collaboration with local trauma centers:

- ▶ [Handbook for Trauma Patients and their Families](#) (customizable). Practical information about our trauma center and what to expect in the hours and days after an injury. It also introduces the family to the TSN website.

The TSN Services...

- ▶ Access to the [TSN Website](#) (customizable to our hospital) that provides among other things:
 - ▶ A direct link to [CaringBridgeSM](#): Where patients and families can create free, personal, private Web pages to help them communicate with friends and family.
 - ▶ [Online Resource Center](#) (The TSN [Traumapedia](#)): that provides information on injuries, their diagnosis and treatment, rehabilitation, as well as other topics important for patients making the transition from hospital to home.
 - ▶ Access to [Videos of Experts](#) talking about issues of importance to patients and their families.
 - ▶ An [Online Community Forum](#) where trauma survivors and their families share experiences & provide support & hope to others.
 - ▶ [TSN Resources](#) to help promote and manage the TSN programs for our hospital.

The TSN Services...

- ▶ The **training materials** needed to establish and sustain:
 - ▶ A **Peer Visitation Program**
 - ▶ **Peer Support Groups**
 - ▶ **Self-Management Classes** for Trauma Survivors (The **NextSteps[®]** program)

The TSN Services...

- ▶ **Ongoing support and help** from the National TSN administrator and the American Trauma Society

Benefits of being a TSN hospital...

- ▶ Care
- ▶ Advocacy
- ▶ Philanthropy
- ▶ Satisfaction

What can TIPC members do right now?

▶ Join TSN

- ▶ Please take a moment to explore the TSN program and services by visiting the Website at www.traumasurvivorsnetwork.org. Joining only takes a minute of your time and it is COMPLETELY free! From that site you can explore our Sharp Memorial Hospital TSN site.

What can TIPC members do right now?

- ▶ Let's get involved in spreading the word about TSN to your coworker, patients, friends, & family (Go to the [Get Involved](#) drop down menu on the TSN website for more information!)
 - ▶ National Trauma Survivors Day (May 19, 2021)
 - ▶ Race to Rebuild
 - ▶ Social media: Words of advice or inspiration on a sign
 - ▶ Video about your race to rebuild by May 12, 2021 to raise awareness for the TSN

TIPC Additional Next Steps “In Progress”

- ▶ Brochure finalization
- ▶ Customize the [Handbook for Trauma Patients and their Families](#)
- ▶ Information on discharge paperwork about the TSN
- ▶ Meeting with managers/CNS regarding plan

Trauma Survivors Network (TSN):

Elevator Speech

Sharp Memorial Hospital is now affiliated with TSN and we would like you to know the resources as we start our program!

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What do we want from you right now? **Join TSN**

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