

Founded by survivors of the Boston Marathon bombing, The Gillian Reny Stepping Strong Center for Trauma Innovation at Brigham and Women's Hospital, a founding member of Mass General Brigham, transforms how we prevent, treat, and recover from traumatic injury, a leading cause of death in the United States. Through research grants, fellowships, educational programs, and patient-focused initiatives, the center unites healthcare professionals, policymakers, and community members to revolutionize trauma care and rebuild lives.

OUR MISSION

To catalyze trauma innovation for injured civilians and military heroes, through multidisciplinary investigative collaborations across the continuum of trauma care, from prevention to treatment and recovery.

WHAT WE DO

Since 2014, the Stepping Strong Center has raised over \$33 million to drive progress in comprehensive trauma care from the moment of injury through recovery, positioning itself as a beacon for improving outcomes for survivors worldwide.



Fuel Research

We support clinical studies and collaborative projects that accelerate solutions to advance the field of trauma care and improve patient outcomes.



Reimagine Care

We embrace the latest research to redefine best practices and extend care for trauma patients beyond the hospital, encouraging a safe transition to life after injury.



Advance Education

We train the next generation of leaders and empower the public to respond to trauma through prevention and intervention techniques.



Inspire Advocacy

We advocate for trauma survivors and injury prevention programs through various initiatives aimed at raising awareness, supporting policy change, and improving community safety.

CONTINUUM OF TRAUMA CARE



Prevention

Evidence-based interventions aimed at reducing the incidence, severity, and impact of traumatic injuries.



After attending a Stepping Strong Emergency Response Training, a participant applied the bleeding control skills he learned just days later to help save his brother's life following a critical firearm injury, demonstrating how proper training can prepare anyone to respond effectively to trauma emergencies.



Treatment

Revolutionary approaches and clinical therapies developed to care for individuals who have sustained a traumatic injury.



A veteran who lost his hand in a motor vehicle crash became the first patient in the world to receive an experimental amputation procedure, supported by the Stepping Strong Center, which maintained his brain-limb connection and enabled communication with a robotic prosthetic. Less than a year after surgery, he returned to his beloved activities, exemplifying how funding innovative trauma research can transform lives.



Recovery

Initiatives and services that support survivors of traumatic injury and minimize adverse long-term outcomes.



Following a severe motor vehicle injury that left him with multiple fractures and in a coma, a patient participated in the Stepping Strong TRAIL Clinic, where a patient navigator streamlined his care and supported his transition back to the community, illustrating the impact of collaborative and comprehensive trauma care.

Your fundraising fuels treatments and solutions for trauma survivors who have endured life-changing injuries, giving them new hope for recovery and helping them reclaim their lives.