

Darnell Jackson

CNA | Spinal Injury & Mobility Atlanta, GA

Professional Summary

Experienced and physically capable Certified Nursing Assistant specializing in spinal injury support, safe patient transfers, and overnight care with over 7 years of dedicated experience. Highly proficient in Hoyer lift operation, log-rolling techniques, and long-term case management. Known for reliability, strength, and calm demeanor during physically demanding care situations.

Core Competencies

- Spinal Cord Injury Care & Support
 - Hoyer Lift & Mechanical Transfer Operation
 - Overnight & 24-Hour Shift Care
 - Pressure Sore Prevention & Wound Care Assistance
 - Bowel & Bladder Program Assistance
 - Range of Motion Exercises
 - Patient Positioning & Repositioning
 - Emergency Response Readiness
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Certifications & Training

- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) – Georgia State Board, Active
- Advanced Transfer Safety & Lift Training – Shepherd Center, Atlanta
- CPR & First Aid Certified – American Heart Association
- Spinal Injury Care Protocols – Shepherd Center Certification
- Infection Control & PPE Proficiency

Professional Experience

Mobility Care Specialist – Shepherd Center Outpatient Support

Atlanta, GA | 2020 – Present

- Provide in-home care for 4 clients with C5–T12 level spinal cord injuries.
- Perform safe transfers using Hoyer lifts, sit-to-stand lifts, and manual pivot techniques.
- Implement individualized pressure relief schedules and skin integrity monitoring.
- Assist with bowel and bladder programs and catheter care under RN supervision.
- Train family members in safe transfer protocols and emergency procedures.

Overnight CNA – Long-Term Private Duty Cases

Metro Atlanta Area | 2017 – 2020

- Managed overnight care for 3 long-term clients with limited mobility and SCI.
- Conducted nighttime repositioning, medication administration, and sleep hygiene support.
- Maintained detailed shift reports and communicated changes to day-shift caregivers.
- Recognized for zero incident record in patient handling across 1,000+ hours of care.

Rehabilitation Aide – Peachford Behavioral Health

Atlanta, GA | 2016 – 2017

- Supported patients with mobility limitations in a rehabilitation setting.
 - Assisted therapists with transfers and mobility exercises.
 - Ensured safe and clean equipment use across facility.
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Shift & Availability Preference

- Preferred Shift: Overnights (10pm–6am) or 24-hour live-in cases
 - Available: Full-time, long-term assignments
 - Willing to Travel: Within 30 miles of Atlanta metro
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Physical Capabilities

- Capable of safely transferring patients up to 250 lbs using proper equipment and technique
 - Trained in ergonomic body mechanics to prevent caregiver injury
 - Experienced in operating: Hoyer lifts, ceiling track systems, slide boards, gait belts
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Education

CNA Certification Program

Georgia Piedmont Technical College – Clarkston, GA

Completed: 2016

Specialized Training

- Spinal Injury Care Workshop – Shepherd Center (2021)
- Overnight Care Best Practices – National Caregiver Association (2019)