

# CELEBRATE SUCCESS

## QUALITY OUTCOMES EVERY DAY



WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE THE FOLLOWING PATIENT SUCCESS STORY.

## Benjamin Luken

**Reason for Admission:** Osteomyelitis, Amputation

**Length of Stay:** 17 days

**Discharge Location:** Home



PAM HEALTH  
REHABILITATION HOSPITAL  
OF GREATER INDIANA

Benjamin Luken came to PAM Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Greater Indiana on January 11 for inpatient rehabilitation following a below-the-knee amputation. The amputation was especially significant because he had previously had a below-the-knee amputation on his right leg and was using a prosthetic limb.

Mr. Luken had multiple lower extremity wounds resulting in osteomyelitis (infection of the bone) that led to his left leg being amputated below the knee. Prior to this development, he had been independent and ambulatory with his right prosthetic limb. The loss of the left sound limb greatly affected his mobility and balance.

On the day of his evaluation, Mr. Luken told PAM Health staff members his intention to walk short distances and go up and down five steps and return to work. He said he liked how the therapists and practitioners came without their own agenda and geared each interaction toward his goals and needs. They listened to him and his past experiences. They then developed a plan of care from his point of view and supported his belief in himself.



**Benjamin Luken appreciated how the entire treatment team listened to him and encouraged him to meet and exceed his goals.**

By the time Mr. Luken returned home on January 28, 2022, he had markedly exceeded the goals he had set upon evaluation to walk and negotiate stairs on a unilateral prosthetic limb. He walked with a walker on level surfaces and completed his steps goal using a walker.

