

Ani Orthopaedic Group

ANGELA PAPE, ABERDEEN

Thanks to fast, knowledgeable action and restorative surgery by Dr. Nasser Ani, this young woman is back in the swim following a near-tragic accident.

In the blink of an eye, 20-year old Angela, a recreational swimmer, went from feeling exhilaration to numbing pain when her hand slipped from a rope swing at the edge of a lake and her body came crashing down to earth. Diagnostic tests revealed a fractured L1 vertebra along Angela's spinal column. Her legs were numb and she was at risk of severe neurological damage, even paralysis.

Following emergency stabilization, Angela was referred to Dr. Nasser Ani, a board-certified orthopaedic spine surgeon who knew that time was of the essence. Delaying surgery could result in a greater risk of permanent disability.

Fast, decisive action...compassionate follow-up care.

"Dr. Ani didn't sugar coat Angela's condition," says mom Marianne Belmonte.

"He showed us the fracture on her CAT scan, explained in detail the surgery he would perform, and answered all of our questions.

After Angela's surgery, Dr. Ani was at her bedside every day in the hospital and saw her frequently throughout her recovery before she returned to college in September."

"Dr. Ani alleviated Angela's fears and ours because he acted so quickly and decisively. I am indebted to him and so is my daughter," says Mrs. Belmonte.

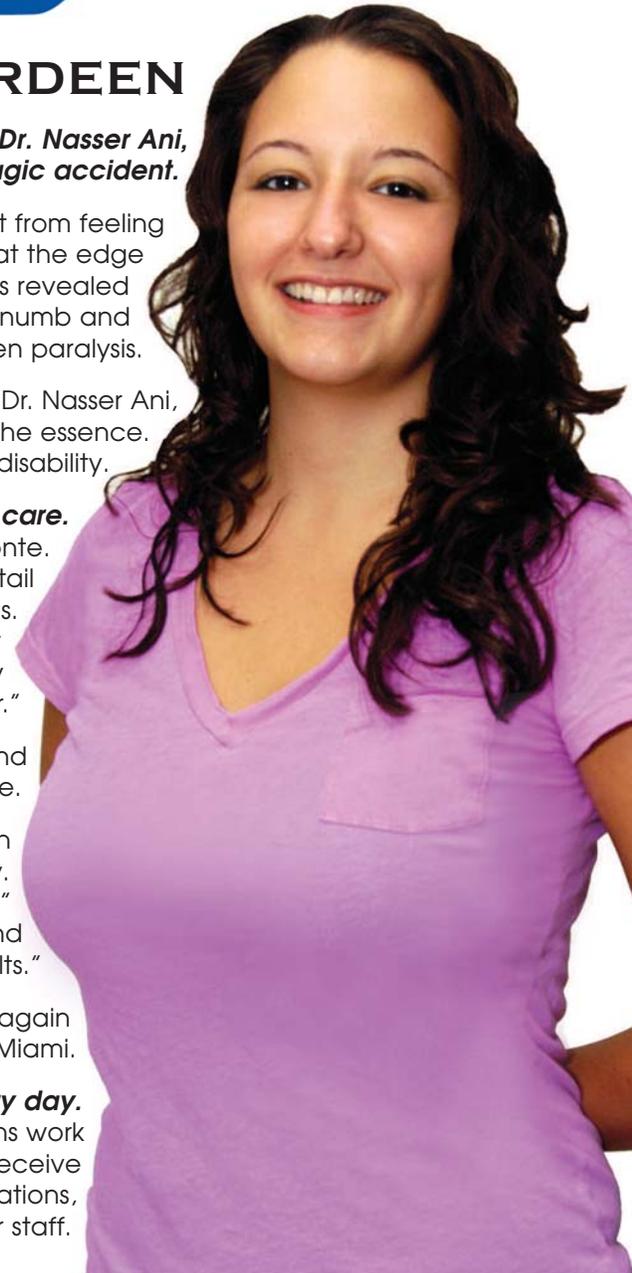
Dr. Ani understands that there is a direct relationship between patient-physician communication and successful recovery.

"I spend as much time as needed with patients and their families," he says. "By establishing a solid two-way connection and working together, we can achieve better results."

While Angela is continuing her physical therapy, she can swim again and enjoy life as normal at the University of Miami.

The Ani Orthopaedic Group is touching patients' lives every day.

These experienced, fellowship-trained, board-certified physicians work closely together on behalf of patients and their families. Patients receive the very best care, close to home at two convenient locations, supported by friendly and efficient service from our staff.



"My fellowship training has taught me the most advanced yet proven techniques for treating spinal injuries," says Dr. Ani. "It has also prepared me to provide the same level of care and treatment you would find at a major metropolitan or university hospital." **DR. ANI**



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