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**Pate Rehabilitation Celebrates Patient Survival Anniversary
with Launch of Online Support Website**

*Website, championed by traumatic brain injury patient,
offers online community for people who have suffered life-changing events or illnesses*

Dallas – May 17, 2012 – [Pate Rehabilitation](#), delivering evidence-based treatment and support programs for individuals recovering from acquired brain injuries, today announced that it will host a celebration to highlight the launch of [TryMunity.com](#), an online support community for people experiencing life-changing events, as well as celebrate the one-year survival anniversary of one of its patients and the motivator behind TryMunity, Mike Black.

The event will take place on May 21, 2012, 1:30 CDT, at Pate Rehabilitation's Brinlee Creek Ranch location. "Pate Rehabilitation has been so instrumental in Mike's recovery, thus far, that we could not think of a better place to launch TryMunity.com," said Tom Coleman, Black's father. Remarks from Black, his mother and his Pate neuropsychologist will stream live on [USTREAM TV](#).

In May 2011, in Orlando, Black was thrown from his moving vehicle after it rolled when he lost control driving, suffering serious head trauma and falling into a coma. While in a coma, Black's family sought professional brain injury recovery assistance and was directed to Pate Rehabilitation. Black has been receiving treatment by Pate's neuropsychologists and therapists since October 31, 2011. To view images of Black's accident and his road to recovery [click here](#).

"It is an enormous privilege to be a part of Mike's recovery, which has been nothing short of miraculous," said Dr. Mary Anise, the neuropsychologist overseeing Black's treatment at Pate. "His strength of spirit is unflinching. With the nurturing and support of his family, friends and online community, Mike has found the resolve to push himself through rigorous therapy, and he has seen great strides in his progress."

Once Black was on the road to recovery, he continually looked for more survivors like him to share and learn, gain strength and hope, and find resources. He was discouraged by the lack of a single site for this kind of online support and social interaction. That's when TryMunity was born, where the motto is, "You never fail until you stop TRYing!" Created as a social network to provide peer support, the website allows afflicted persons and families to discuss their personal tragedies and/or illnesses with others with similar experiences and diagnoses.

"It is so vastly important for survivors and families to know that they are not alone in the challenges they face along the road to recovery," said Bernadette Coleman, Black's mother. "The site will allow Mike and other survivors to give back by sharing their positive stories of success with others going through similar circumstances."



About Pate Rehabilitation

Pate Rehabilitation is dedicated to the treatment of individuals with acquired brain injuries, helping them return to the highest quality of life possible. With facilities in Anna, Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, Pate Rehabilitation provides personalized, evidence-based neuropsychological, cognitive, occupational, physical and speech therapies to advance and accelerate patient recovery. Recognizing that the impact of brain injury extends beyond the patient, Pate serves as a compassionate resource for family members, helping them meet the practical and emotional challenges of caring for persons with brain injuries. In addition to therapy, Pate is also the unsurpassed leader in research, advocacy and education to advance understanding in the prevention of, and effective care for, brain injuries. To learn more about Pate Rehabilitation or acquired brain injury and its treatment, please visit www.paterehab.com or call 972.241.9334.

About TryMunity

TryMunity is an online social network community created by survivors for survivors of traumatic life experiences. TryMunity connects people with others facing the same circumstances and provides a forum where they can share their experiences, give hope for positive recoveries, provide advice, share treatment experience and give prayers for others' rehabilitation. For more information on TryMunity please visit TryMunity.com or call 214-509-8662.

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