



Protecting Geriatrics in the ICU: True Mastery of the ABCDEF Bundle

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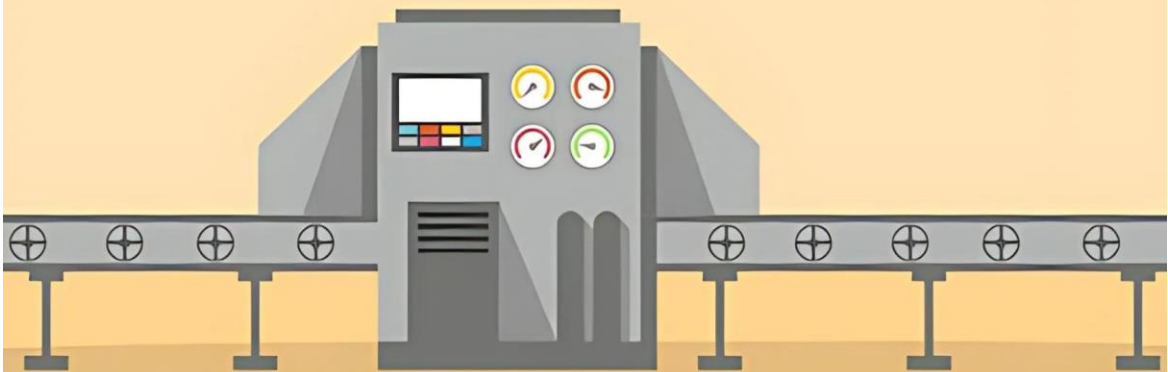
1990's

(Ely, 2017)

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The ICU Conveyor Belt



Sedation and Immobility

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“... But what I see these days are paralyzed, sedated patients, lying without motion, appearing to be dead, except for the monitors that tell me otherwise.”

Thomas L. Petty, Chest, 1998



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POTENTIAL PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH SEDATION



- Post-ICU PTSD
- Long-lasting ICU acquired weakness (ICUAW)
- Post-ICU dementia
- Prolonged time on the ventilator
- Increased mortality
- Increased length of stay
- Extensive rehabilitation
- Long-term disability
- Respiratory depression
- Inactivity-induced diaphragm dysfunction
- Myocardial depression & hemodynamic instability
- Microvascular alterations
- Altered gut function-ileus
- Airway (micro) aspiration
- Increased risk of pneumonia
- Increased risk of thrombophlebitis



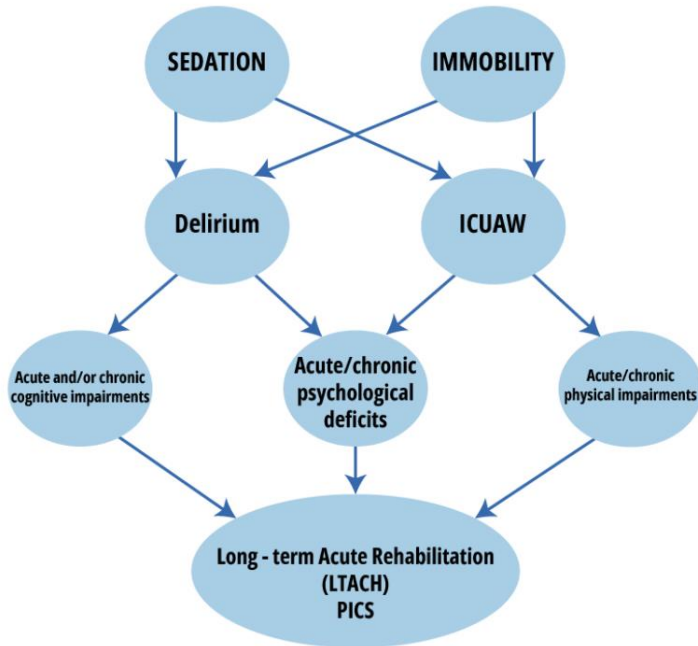
(Nelson, 2000), (Jones, 2001), (Girard, 2007), (Vincent, 2016)

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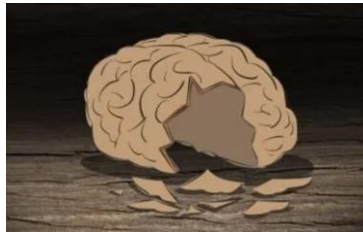
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Delirium

Delirium **doubles** the risk of dying during admission

Patients with delirium have **120xs** greater risk of long-term cognitive impairments equal to **mild ASD** and **moderate TBI**

1/3 of delirium survivors have PTSD 2 weeks after discharge




(Salluh, 2015), (Girard, 2010), (Pandharipande, 2013), (Grover, 2019)


- Cannibalism
- Loss of will to live
- Kidnapping of self
- Panic
- Monsters
- Divorce
- Buried alive
- Vulnerability
- Terror
- Worst fears
- Demons
- Sexual assault
- War
- Powerless
- Betrayal
- Relive past trauma
- Isolation
- Hopelessness
- Kidnapping of their children



Listen to survivor of sedation and immobility



Scan to learn more



Sedation is not sleep.

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RISK OF ICU DELIRIUM

Continuous sedation increases risk by **226.8%**

ICU stay >7 days increases risk by **361.4%**

Bedrest >7 days increases risk by **361.4%**

Sedation + Immobility + >7 days = **3,095%** increased risk

Age above 65 has a **4-fold** risk of ICU delirium



(Pan, 2019), (Tilouche, 2018)

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ICU-Acquired Weakness



Weaning failure:

Septic patients

- ICUAW increased the risks of weaning failure by **15.4 times**
- ICUAW increased time on the ventilator by **20 days**

(Garnacho-Montero, 2005)

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ICU-Acquired Weakness



1 year post ICU discharge:

- 3.6 times increased** post-ICU mortality
- 16.7 unit decrease** in physical function domain score

(Weiske, 2015)

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ROLE OF SEDATION IN ICU ACQUIRED WEAKNESS

Propofol:

Disuse → *Atrophy*

- (and benzodiazepines) Inhibit GABA → Disruption of sodium-channels in skeletal muscle → Decreases muscle excitability
- Increases insulin resistance in skeletal and cardiac muscle
 - Likely myotoxic effect
- With and without mechanical ventilation= diaphragm dysfunction

(Trapani, 2000), (Yasuda, 2012), (Lonngvist, 2020), (Bruells, 2014)

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ICU-Acquired Weakness

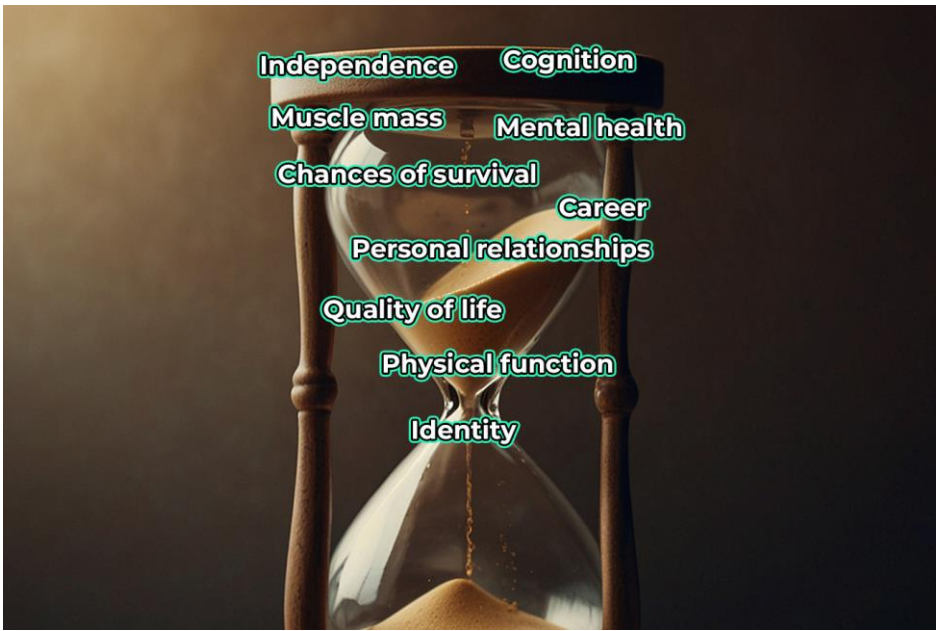
Factors	Categories	ICU-AW
Age ^a	40-50 years	8 (9.5%)
	51-60 years	13 (15.5%)
	More than 60 years	52 (61.9%)
Duration of ICU stay (days) ^a	Less than 7 days	33 (39.3%)

Geriatric ICU survivors experience **2.6 fold** increase from baseline in geriatric syndrome symptoms

(Khalil, 2023),(Tang, 2017)

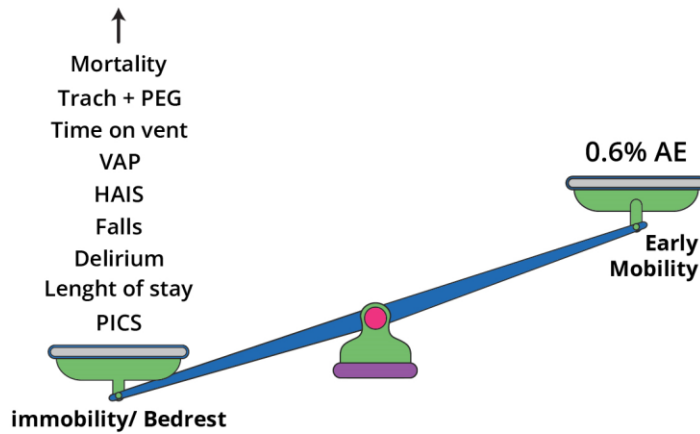
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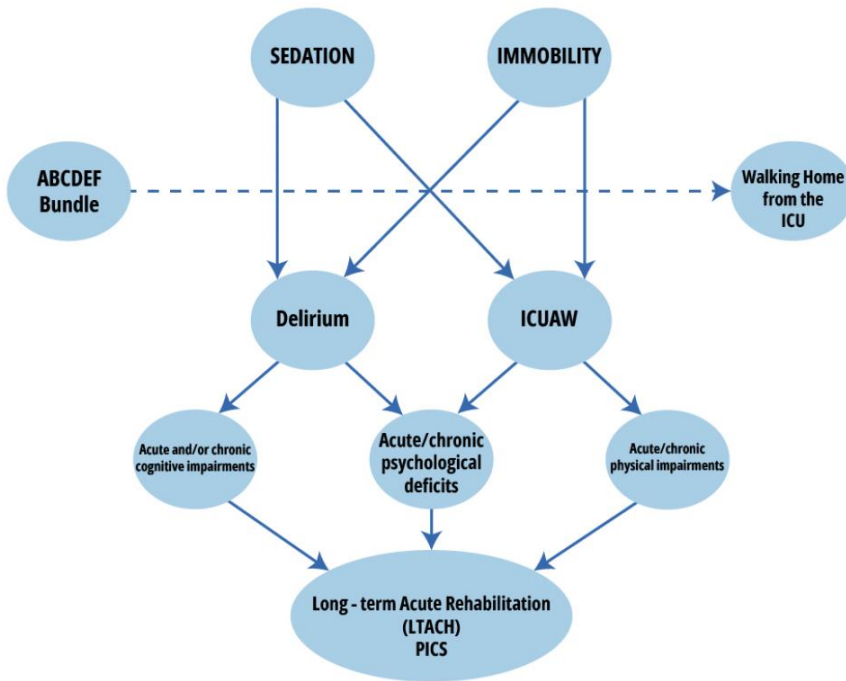


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(Nydaht, 2017)

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ABCDEF Bundle

-  **A** Assess, prevent, and manage pain
-  **B** Both spontaneous awakening and breathing trials
-  **C** Choice of analgesia and sedation
-  **D** Delirium assess and prevention
-  **E** Early mobility
-  **F** Family engagement



A

Assess, prevent, and manage pain

(Automatically start fentanyl upon intubation. Increase sedation for restlessness/agitation)



B

Both spontaneous awakening and breathing trials

(Once ventilator settings are low, turn sedation down enough to see them thrash and then resume)



C

Choice of analgesia and sedation

(Start sedation and opioids immediately on everyone but consider avoiding benzodiazepines)



D

Delirium assess and prevention

(Require CAM and RASS charting in EMR)



E

Early mobility

(Consider ordering physical or occupational therapy after extubation)



F

Family engagement

(Allow for some visitation during the day)

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The goal is to produce patients who are more awake, cognitively engaged, and physically active..... facilitate patient autonomy and the ability to express unmet physical, emotional, and spiritual needs.

(Pun, 2019)

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Awake

Communicative

Autonomous

Mobile



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F-A BUNDLE —HEIDI ENGEL, DPT

F- Family

- Engagement, communication, connection

E- Early active mobility

- Prompt baseline mobility unless contraindicated

D- Delirium prevention, assessment, and treatment

C- Choice of sedation and analgesia

- Are they needed?
- Safest choice, the lowest dose, the shortest duration

B- Both spontaneous breathing and awakening trials

A- Assess, prevent, and treat pain



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Awake and Walking ICU



Sedation is given only when there is an indication for sedation



The safest sedative is given at the lowest dose for the shortest duration possible



The highest level of mobility possible is performed unless there is a contraindication to mobility



OPEN family visitation



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SPECTRUM OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ABCDEF BUNDLE

Awake and Walking ICU

Low Compliance



Automatic deep sedation with some SAT/SBT

Daily Awakenings and breathing trials

Light sedation with SAT/SBT

No Sedation unless indication

All awake and doing maximum mobility unless contraindicated

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ICU Liberation Collaborative Study

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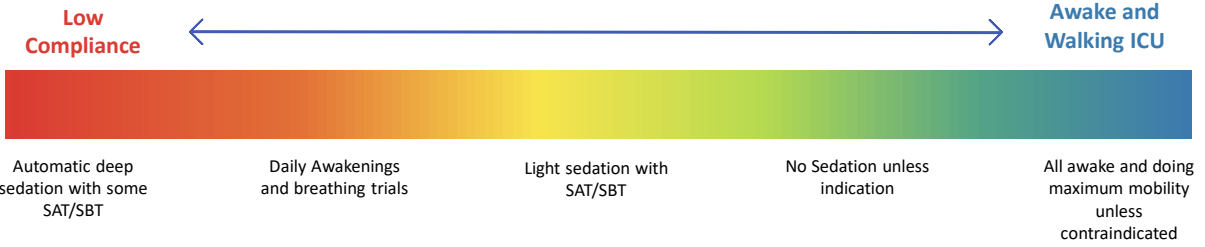
**+15,000 Patients
68 Facilities**

**100% Compliance: 8%
12% Bearing weight OOB**

(Pun, 2019)

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Increased likelihood of:

- ICU and hospital discharge

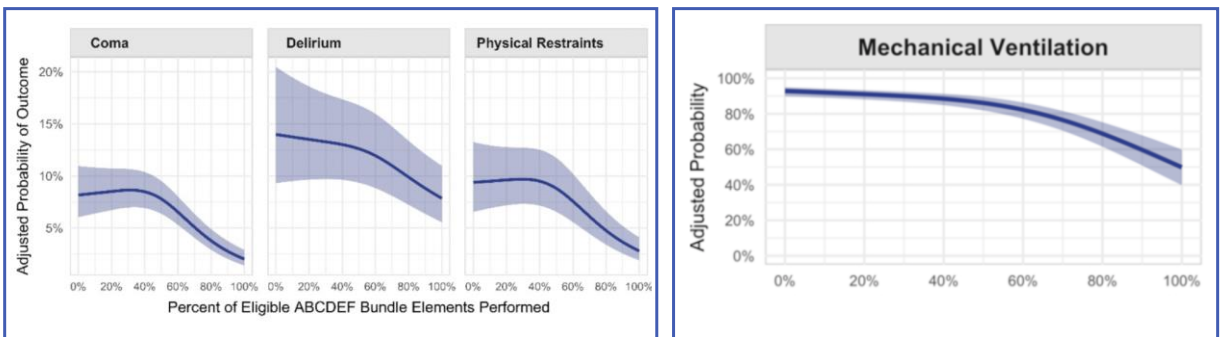
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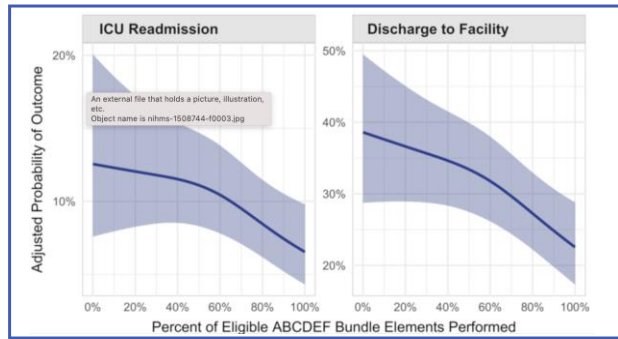
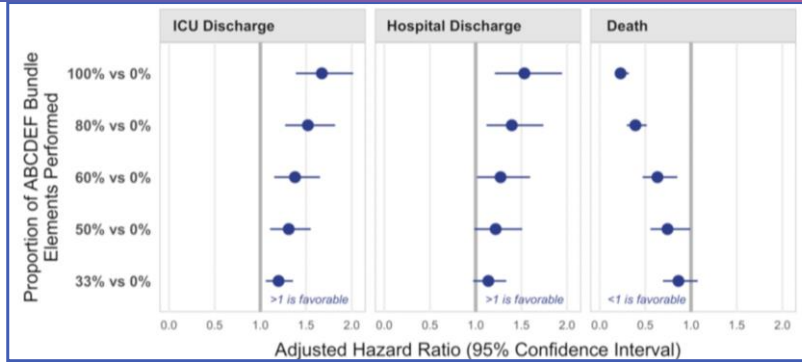
Decreases likelihood of:

- ✘ 7-day mortality by **68%**
- ✘ Coma and Delirium **25-50%**
- ✘ Physical restraint **>60%**
- ✘ Mechanical ventilation
- ✘ ICU readmission by **46%**
- ✘ Discharge to destination other than home, by **36%**
- ✘ **Outcomes “dose-dependent”**

ABCDEF BUNDLE

Outcomes are “dose-dependent”





(Pun, 2019)

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“What about geriatric patients?”

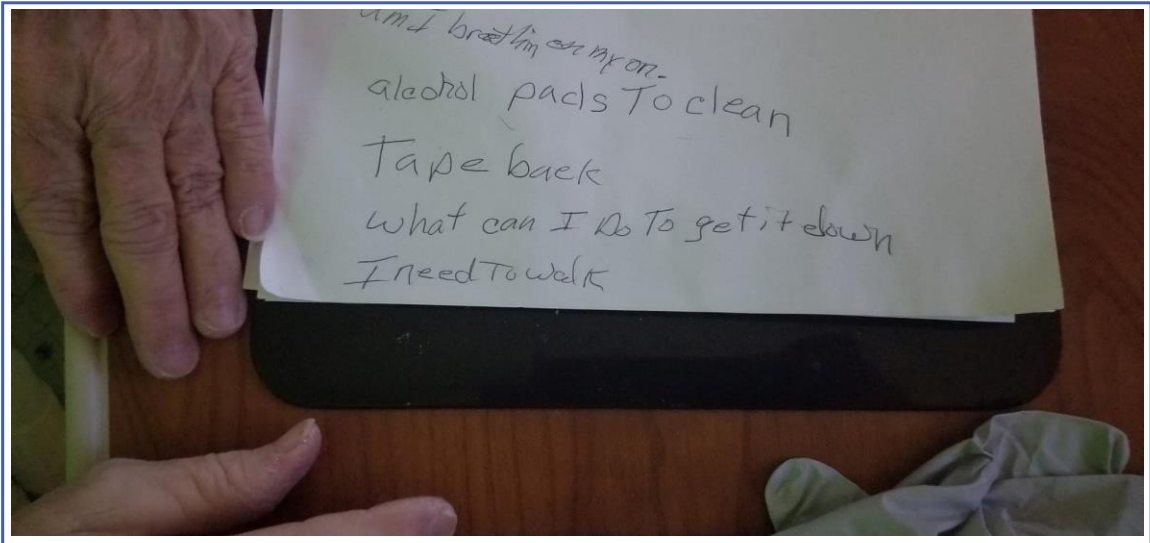


(Gostanian, 2020)

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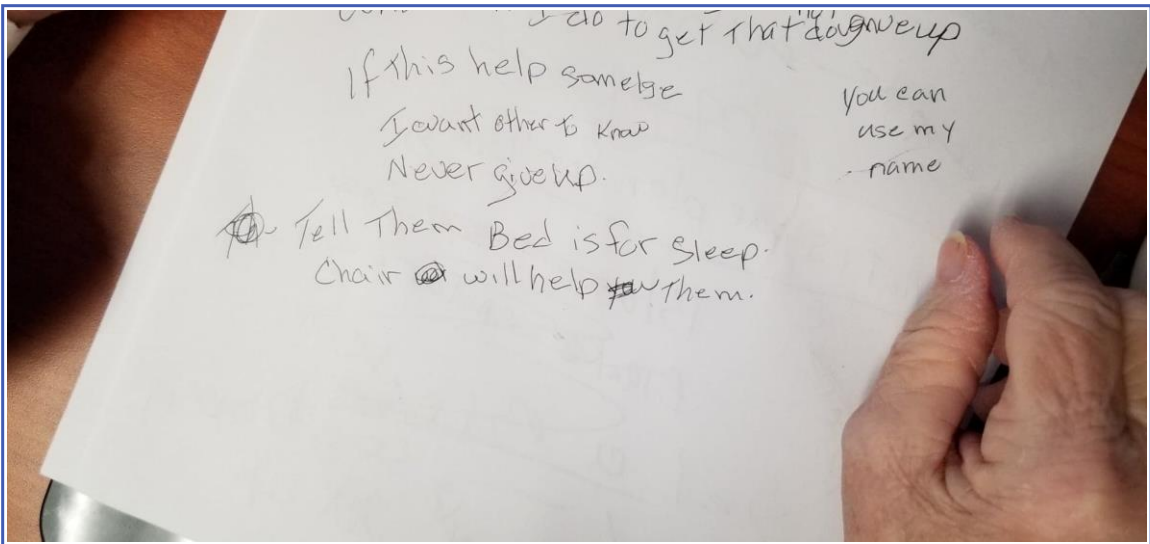
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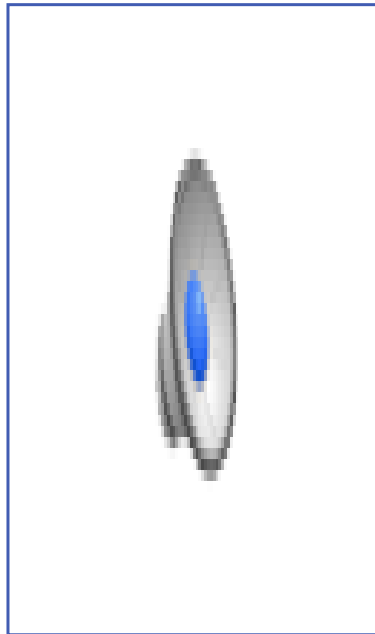
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78 years old!!!

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99 years old!!

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CHRIS DE BURGH
THE LADY IN RED





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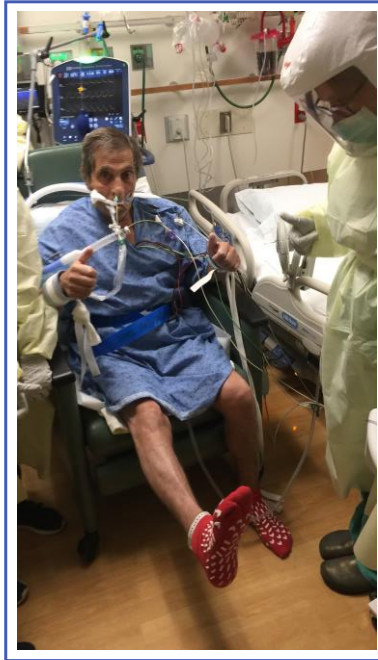
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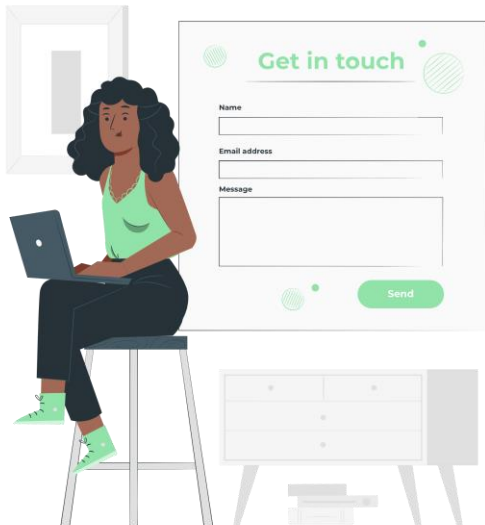
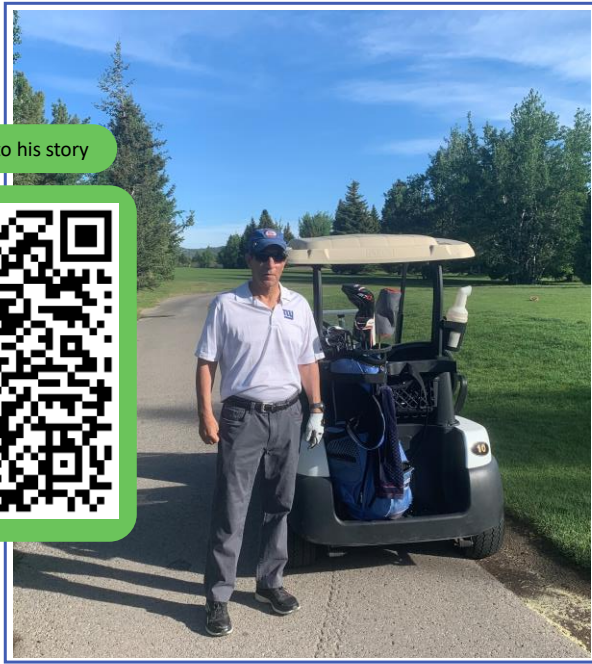
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