COLLABORATION IN ACTION VOL. 1

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA & QLI

"I had to relearn how to drive. I had to learn how to go and get gas by myself. That was part of my therapy. Getting groceries, all sorts of life skills."

news.unomaha.edu/tarynschaaf

READ TARYN'S STORY

One QLI client turned UNO student didn't let a spinal cord injury stop her from living her life to the fullest – including graduating in May 2016.

The NU Foundation worked with UNO's Biomechanics Department and QLI to fund student research projects on patients with traumatic brain injuries.

The Speech Pathology Department in UNO's College of Education is another common resource for QLI's occupational therapists.

There are 15 UNO graduates who are employees at QLI, and there have been dozens of student volunteers as well.

UNO's campus is accessible for students of all backgrounds. QLI agrees.

Accessibility

College of Education

GOAL 2
ACADEMICALLY EXCELLENT

The Service Learning Academy helped facilitate the construction of an herb and vegetable garden for QLI's patients.

QLI's long-term care campus and UNO's Service Learning Academy partnered for a 3-month long project.

Inclusive

GOAL 1
STUDENT CENTERED

University of Nebraska Omaha + QLI Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Specialists

Service Learning

Some of their patients climb the rock wall, while others use some of the recreation items, like kayaks.

"I don't have all the time or the resources to be able to sit down and design a research project, so to have those people who I can team up with and work on something like that, it really is fantastic."

UNO ATHLETICS

GOAL 3
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Location

QLI often uses the Health, Physical Education, & Recreation Building on UNO's Dodge Campus.

Event

Sponsorship

Leadership

Community

"An Evening at the Fair" at Baxter Arena

EVENT DETAILS

arena.unomaha.edu/qli

QLI was a sponsor at the Claussen-Leahy Maverick Run, hosted at Baxter Arena.

QLI CEO, Patricia Kearns, serves as a mentor for UNO student athletes in a leadership program.

UNO Athletic Director Trev Alberts sits on QLI's Board of Directors.

TREV ALBERTS BIO

news.unomaha.edu/trevalberts

The Barbara Weitz Community Engagement Center (CEC) is a common meeting site for QLI and its various partners in the Omaha area.

"The environment at the CEC is so creative and collaborative, it's the first place we look if we need to get away from the desk and work strategically."

University of Nebraska Omaha