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A Miraculous Recovery

What began as an idyllic vacation almost ended Seth’s life.

Along with his fiancé, Lily, Seth is an avid biker who participates in road races and other events. His favorite pastime is trail biking. Seth was excited to take a vacation to Haiti—dreaming of white sand, palm trees and plenty of places for off-road biking trails.

After a few days of rain, Seth was ecstatic to wake up to a morning of sun. He immediately jumped on his bike and set off for some rocky, off-road terrain. What he didn’t plan for was the slickness of the rocks. On a steep trail, Seth lost control of his bike. He went careening off the path, slammed into the rocks, and lost consciousness.

Life-saving medical transportation

Seth was taken to a nearby hospital. When he woke up, the doctor had some startling news: he was diagnosed with a concussion, impaired vision, and a shattered pelvis. Unfortunately, the facility wasn’t equipped to provide the trauma care he needed.

The hospital staff got in touch with Lily, who immediately called Meritain Health for assistance. A Client Advocate coordinated Seth’s medical transportation to the United States through Meritain Health Medical Management. Seth was sent to a specialty trauma unit for the care he desperately needed.

Determination and recovery

Back in the U.S., Seth began the road to recovery. His bones healed and he regained his sight. He worked with a physical therapist to take his first wobbly steps, and with hard work began to walk again. But that wasn’t enough.

In just eight months after his accident, Seth was able to ride his bike once again. He’s doing well and is thankful for the medical transportation and care coordination that helped him regain his sight and mobility. Most of all, he’s glad to be back to biking, which is his second true love in life (after Lily).

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