Chat Rooms, Email Discussion Lists, and Facebook Groups for Spinal Cord Injury

The following are some links to chat rooms or forums for people living with spinal cord injuries.

Chat Rooms and Forums

https://community.christopherreeve.org/ (online community)
https://www.ChristopherReeve.org/blog (blogs)

Reeve Foundation Online Community—Reeve Connect
An online community and social networking website from the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation Paralysis Resource Center. The community is a place for dialogue about spinal cord injury or disease, and about all issues related to paralysis. Members of the community will be able to connect with other members who have spinal cord injuries and/or paralysis or care for those who do. You may participate in discussion groups, post personal profiles with an optional photo, invite members to be friends, and build your own online support network.

http://www.tracheostomy.com/
Aaron’s Tracheostomy Page
This site’s mission is to provide information on tracheostomy and to facilitate parent-to-parent networking and support. The message boards include forums on pediatric and adult tracheostomies were closed but there is a private Facebook page that you can ask to join.: https://www.facebook.com/groups/63417059663/.

www.braintalkcommunities.org
BrainTalk Communities
BrainTalk Communities is a huge collection of Internet message boards covering nearly every known neurological problem and disability social issue.

http://sci.rutgers.edu
CareCure Community
This site offers over 70 forums where people discuss spinal cord injury care, caregiving, cure, funding, active living, pain treatment, sexuality, biomedical research, clinical trials and more. Neuroscientist Wise Young, Ph.D., M.D. moderates some of the forums.

http://www.facingdisability.com
Facing Disability: For Families Facing Spinal Cord Injuries
Facing Disability offers support for family members of people with spinal cord injuries. The forums can be accessed through the Forums tab or by going directly to http://www.facingdisability.com/spinal-cord-injury-forums. The site also offers peer counseling to people with SCI (see Peer Counseling tab or go directly to http://www.facingdisability.com/peer_counseling/info/overview).

http://inspiredsciforum.com/
Inspired SCI Support Community
Features various forums of interest to the SCI community.

www.wheel-life.org
Wheel Life
A global community of friends who use wheelchairs.

E-mail Discussion Lists

http://www.makoa.org/quadlist.htm
QUAD-LIST Discussion Group
Discussion list for people with quadriplegia from any cause, not just spinal cord injury.

http://www.makoa.org/ventuser.htm
VENT-USERS-LIST Discussion Group
Discussion list for people who require ventilators (respirators) to breathe.

Facebook Groups

Many Facebook groups are closed or private groups, meaning you must ask to be allowed to join. Here are some names of groups you may want to join:

- Accessible Travel Club
- Spinal Cord Injury Recovery Breakthroughs
- Spinal Cord Injury Support Group
- Spinal Cord Injury USA Group
- Spinal Cord Injury Walkers
- Spinal Cord Peer Support USA
- You are not Alone, Dealing with Spinal Cord Injury (sponsored by FacingDisability.com)
- Wives and Girlfriends of Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) Survivors

Other Interactive Media Sites

http://www.spinalpedia.com
SPINALpedia
SPINALpedia is a social mentoring network and video archive that allows the spinal cord injury community to motivate each other from their individual experiences.

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