

Lucy Phillips

A Team to Tackle Trauma

Nearly three years ago, Lucy Phillips was hit by a car as she crossed the street to the school bus stop. She was thrown to the pavement; the impact shattering her pelvis.

Because of the severity of her orthopedic injuries, Lucy was transferred to the care of Dr. David Helfet, Chief of the Orthopedic Trauma Service at Hospital for Special Surgery (second from left).





Dr. Helfet and a team of surgeons developed a plan to repair multiple fractures of her pelvis.

Lucy's x-rays images (at left) show: a) her fractured pelvis; b) external fixation to stabilize pelvis; c) instrumentation used to hold bones in place during healing and; d) hardware removed at 22 months post-op.

Now 16 years old, Lucy (above) has full range of motion and makes running look easy.