Often the time I have needed to say the most has been the very time I have been least able to say it.

Lois, Leah & Karly
“That song changed my life... I was a composer! I was a musician. I had a voice that others could hear.”

- Karly

Karly & Karen Bohnert, music therapist

Everyone is more than their symptoms:
See the whole person, not just their diagnosis

Lesson 1
“Don’t let Rett Syndrome be the only thing said of me.” - Karly

Karly & Elizabeth

“Assume Intellect”:
Trust the experience of the patient and their family
Lesson 2
“Just because I’m silent doesn’t mean I’m ignorant.”  – Karly

“My brain is intelligent, my body struggles.”  – Karly
“Many of my memories of going to doctors and therapy visits are painful to remember.”
— Karly
"I am more than my body. I am." - Karly

"My Pony, My Beau"

Every patient has a backstory: Be curious and compassionate
Lesson 3
Death is part of life:
Accept that mortality is not failure

Lesson 4
“Just because I'm silent doesn't mean I'm ignorant.”

“I've said yes to everything I was supposed to do here.” - Karly
“My favorite place on Earth is on the back of a horse.”

- Karly

Last ride on Chester
Thank you.

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