

IBMC PA Safe Patient Handling Equipment

AirPals/Air Matts

AirPals are blue and come in three sizes. The color of strap as follows: 32" (blue), 39" (silver) and 50" (orange).

Air Matts come in 34" and are bright green.



Weight capacity (1200 lbs.),

Instructions:

- Center the patient on the AirPal using a log rolling technique ensuring foot end is in correct location and pin holes are down. Please note: ShortPads should be positioned between the top of the patient's head and the thighs. Secure the safety straps leaving some slack as the extra slack will decrease when the device is inflated
- Position the surface to be transferred to next to the patient's bed or gurney at same level or slightly lower. Ensure wheels are locked before beginning the transfer. Raise side rails on receiving side.
- Attach the hose from the air canister to the AirPal. If the patient weighs in excess of 250 lbs., use two canisters. Plug in, push the power button to inflate the mattress.
- When fully inflated, pull the patient towards you on the receiving surface. Be sure to stand close to the side of the bed or gurney to keep patient safe. If repositioning, with a staff member on each side gently move patient up in bed. Before deflating, be sure to center the patient on the receiving surface. ***The AirPal moves easily so be sure not to use excess force. Also, never leave patient alone on a fully inflated mattress.

Please Note: AirPals and Air Matts are reusable. Wipe the down with germicidal wipes between transfers. If heavily soiled, place in a clear bag and drop off at a designated site for special cleaning. Do not dispose of.

Z-Slider



Orange sheet used for lateral transfers and repositioning. It is placed between the bed sheet and draw sheet. With arrow pointing in direction of move.

Single patient use only. Disposable.

Available through eProcurement— Item ID: 50208833

Instructions:

REPOSITIONING

- While on each side of the bed, each caregiver should grasp the draw sheet and simultaneously slide the patient up in the bed to the desired position.

LATERAL TRANSFER

- While on each side of the beds and using the draw sheet, one caregiver gently pulls the draw sheet while the other caregiver gently pushes, sliding the patient from gurney to bed or bed to gurney. Care should be taken to ensure proper positioning of the head and lower legs during the transfer.

Caution: Unless actively transferring or repositioning, do NOT leave the Z-Slider under a patient.

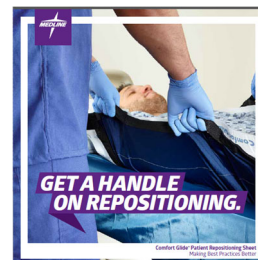
Comfort Glide

eProcurement Item IDs:

575 LB Sheet- 50200939

Wedge- 50200937

1000 LB Sheet- 50207550



REPOSITIONING

- While on each side of the bed, each caregiver should grasp the Comfort Glide and simultaneously slide the patient up in the bed to the desired position.

LATERAL TRANSFER

- While on each side of the beds and one caregiver gently pulls the Comfort Glide while the other caregiver gently pushes, sliding the patient from gurney to bed or bed to gurney. Care should be taken to ensure proper positioning of the head and lower legs during the transfer.

Sara Stedy

Patients should be able to bear weight and stand up independently, but still need some support to prevent falls.

Weight Capacity: 265 or 450 lbs.



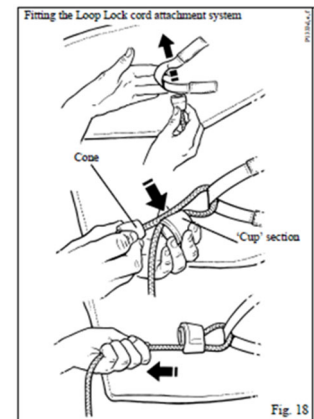
Instructions:

- Pivot the two seat halves up and open the legs if needed and approach the seated patient asking them to place their feet on the footrest with knees against the kneepad.
- Apply the brakes and ask the patient use the cross bar to stand up and pivot the two seat halves down so the patient can sit. Release the brakes and proceed with the transfer.
- At the transfer location, apply the brakes and have the patient stand up. Pivot the two seat halves up and ask them to sit down holding the crossbar.

Sara Plus—Sit-to-Stand

Used to transfer patients in a seated position from bed, to chair, to wheelchair to commode.

Weight Capacity: 420 lbs.



- 1. Green belt is placed around patient with yellow loops on the outside and tighten till snug. 2. Move lift in-front of patient so feet are resting on foot rest and shins against plate. 3 LOCK BRAKES. 4. Take each adjustment cord in turn and attach to the sling. Loop grey cone end of the rope through the yellow loop and move cone into locked position. Pull other end of rope (black ball end) tight and pull down into a locked position (see inset above) 5. Instruct patient to place arms on the arc rest and hold handles during transfer for extra support. 6. Raise patient up with the up arrow on controller. 7. Transfer to new location and LOCK BRAKES. 8. Lower patient back to seated position with down arrow. 9. Release ropes and waist bed. 10. Clean waist belt with appropriate disinfectant.

Car Extractor

Used to lift and move patients into and out of nearly any vehicle,- compact automobile to a fire/emergency van.



Weight Capacity: 475 lbs.

Instructions:

- Place Care Belt around patient's back, under arms, and fasten buckle at abdomen. Tighten by pulling on straps near buckle.
- Place second belt under patient's thighs above knees and fasten buckle on top and tighten..
- Lower the boom on the Car Extractor enough to clear the car roof by pushing the "Down" button on the hand control.
- Position boom into vehicle in front of patient. Position hanger bar to be parallel to the patient's shoulders. Lock brakes.
- Connect shortest loops possible from both belts to hanger bar.
- Raise the boom by pushing the "Up" button on the hand control, enough to raise the patient from the car seat.
- Rotate patient/ so feet and legs are facing the exterior of the car.
- Pull the extractor backwards as you guide the patient's feet out the door. Have a second person in the car support the patient's head. Place patient into a wheelchair, on a stretcher, similar device for transportation..

Slings/Belts: The blue care belts are wipeable. Please do not discard. **eProcurement Item IDs for disposable:**

Medium: 50242041 Large: 50242042

Total Lifts

Used to transfer patients from bed to chair, bed to gurney, floor to bed, etc. and for repositioning. Can be used with all patients with the exceptions of those who just had hip replacement surgery. Patients do not have to be able to assist

Weight Capacity:

Vanderlift: 450/600/ lbs.

Arjo Tenor: 800 lbs

Instructions:

- Our patient specific disposable slings come in 4 sizes Here are order numbers: M (yellow) 23603, L (green) 23602, XL (purple) 23601 and XXL (white)23606. Choose the size that fits the patient's body weight distribution. Limb sling 23610, turning sling 23607 Repositioning 23609.
- Place the bottom center of the sling ** even with the patient's tailbone.(lean patient forward in seated position or log roll on the sling in a supine position).Then, slide leg straps under the patient's legs criss-crossing the straps through the loop closest to their body.
- With hanger bar arms parallel to the patient's arms, use the same loops on each side to attach the sling to the hooks closest to the loop. Adjust the position: Seated-choose the loops closest to shoulders and furthest from hips. Recline- loops farthest from the shoulders and closer to hips.
- Never lock the wheels when lifting or lowering the patient as the lift has to find its center of gravity.
- Stand next to the patient to reassure them. Once lifted, move to the new location and lower the patient into place.

Please Note:

Keep the floor lifts plugged in when not in use so that the battery will stay charged. Cycle up and down occasionally to exercise the battery. If the lifts don't work, first check to see if the red manual stop switch is in the off position. For emergency lowering on white and blue total lifts, use the



Maxi Move (Total Lift)



Used to transfer patients from bed to chair, bed to gurney, floor to bed, etc. and for repositioning. Can be used with all patients with the exceptions of those who just had hip replacement surgery. Patients do not have to be able to assist

Weight Capacity: 500 lbs

- 1. Place patient specific disposable sling under patient with ridged head supports under head. 2. Position lift over patient and **LOCK BRAKES**. 3. Criss cross leg portion of the sling between patient's legs and attach to lift by sliding black attachment over metal ball and snapping into place, Lift adjusts to lying or sitting position. 4. Once sling is attached raise patient by pushing the up arrow on controller. 5. Proceed to (chair/bed), **LOCK BRAKES** and lower patient in place. 6. Un-attach sling. Note: If patient is transferring from bed to chair it is okay to leave sling positioned under patient until ready to transfer back to bed. If sling becomes soiled throw away

Questions?

You can find information regarding Safe Patient Handling including how PeopleSoft numbers for slings on our Intranet site: Disability Management and Workers' Compensation

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