

Specialist Equipment

Bariatric Patients

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Some important things you need to know

**Moving and Handling Information for New starters**

Bariatric - larger or wider hipped patients often require additional care, attention and/or equipment. Correct assessment at ward level should identify the needs of the Bariatric patient and provision should be made by the ward. This reduces the need for significant numbers of staff to be involved in the moving and handling of patients, therefore reducing risk of injury to both staff and patients, ensuring delivery of care in a dignifying and respectful and professional manner

1st Call Mobility

 Is the company used by the Trust to supply Bariatric M&H equipment on a hire agreement. As the equipment is quite large it can often require the use of another bed space. Any equipment ordered by the ward is guaranteed to be delivered within 4 hours. This can include a Bariatric bed, Mattress, Reclining chair, commode, walking frame etc.

All hired in electrical equipment must be pat tested before use by Clinical Engineering team

Re-positioning a bariatric patient in bed

The disposable repositioning sheet from 1st Call Mobility stays in position at all times on the mattress under the bottom sheet, this can then be used with overhead tracking or a floor based hoist to turn the patient or move the patient up the bed without the need for multiple staff. Use of the sheet also reduces the risk of injury to staff. Ideally, a supply of sheets should be available on the ward as delivery for non-hire equipment can take between 2-4 days.

**YOUR**

**Moving and Handling Team Contact details**

www.practicelearning-crh.com/movingandhandling

TRAINING

Training courses

New starters attend either a one day or two day care handling course.

Qualified staff transferring within the NHS attend a one day course.

Unqualified staff attend the two day course.

Care Certificate is a 12 week minimum standard induction for all Health Care Assistants.

Clinical Holding

A one day course run for all staff involved with the delivery of care and treatment for patients who lack capacity.

Moving and Handling Competency Assessment

Moving and Handling update. This now takes place at point of care on ward or clinic annually by a Key Mover who assesses levels of staff competency in various M&H techniques. Successful completion of the assessment is then transferred onto Skills Passport and is renewed annually on the Trust Training record which is transferable.

Key mover

A designated Staff Nurse , Health Care Assistant or Allied health care professional on your ward/clinic who support staff and patients in the delivery of safe and effective moving and handling in a dignified and professional manner. A Key mover attends a 3 day course and regular updates.

Other Moving and Handling programmes undertaken by Princes Trust, Cadetship, Work Experience, Medical Students, Student nurses

DIAG Code of Practise

 Derbyshire Inter Agency Group: - Code of Practise - Moving and Handling Manual, copy available on each ward for reference. Techniques, Skills and information apply to all staff caring for patients within the Derbyshire area.

 Unsafe techniques These are M&H techniques identified as dangerous and unsafe for staff and patients, some condemned by the Royal College of Nursing, and are no longer used in the practise of M&H. Observation or being asked to participate in the use unsafe techniques must be reported.

 Documentation/ Care plans

 It is the responsibility of all staff to read, record and report any concerns, changes in patients condition or behaviour, activity, any acts or omissions, poor practise on ward/dept. in the appropriate documents. Where staff are unable to record, a staff nurse or senior member of staff must be alerted and notified.

 Charging equipment/ Reporting faulty

equipment

It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure that all powered M&H equipment e.g. (Floor based hoist, Ceiling track hoist, Arjo Encore etc.) is on charge whilst not in use. If any equipment is loaned out this should be documented. All faulty or missing equipment must be reported immediately and also entered on a Datix Form

 Intranet/Datix Form

 Reporting of incidents or concerns regarding patients, falls, staff, poor practise, faulty or lack of equipment or any issue requiring escalation. Datix form can be found on home page of the Trust’s Intranet.

Storage of M&H equipment

 Most Moving and Handling equipment (Hoist, Rotunda, Arjo/Sara Stedy) is usually stored on the corridor of the ward/dept. Some equipment may also be kept in a store room or bathroom.

Other equipment such as Slide sheets and Hoist slings, Banana/slide board, Rotor cushion, Pivot disc‘s, Non- slip mats, Bumpers and Mattress extension are stored in the ward linen rooms. Slide sheets are often placed in a pillow case in the linen room cupboards to prevent them from sliding off the shelf onto the floor.

 Linen room / linen stores

The main linen room is situated at the back of the hospital on the ground floor in the Yellow Zone. The linen room staff takes the daily delivery of clean laundry and distributes it around the hospital each morning. If a ward requires extra slide sheets or slings it is the responsibility of staff to notify the linen team of this and extra will be supplied the following day. If slide sheets are needed beforehand, the linen room is open until 1:30pm where ward staff can collect some.

 Return to sender system

 This system ensures the return of our Slings and slide sheets from’ Berendsens Laundry’. All used slide sheets and slings must be placed in the’ Blue Bag’ in dirty utility room and documented on a docket which also goes in the bag. When full, the bag is collected by linen room staff. The exact items in the bag will then be returned from Berendsens.

 BEDS

The majority of beds in the trust are the Huntleigh 480 safe working load 270kg /42 st. with 3/4 integrated side rails. Beds must always be on charge when on the ward. The practise of tilting the bed backwards to re – position a patient is prohibited unless a full documented risk assessment is in place. Side rails must also be risk assessed before use unless transporting patient.

EQUIPMENT

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