



Lateral Transfer System

System Overview

- ☐ What is AirSlide and when is it to be used
- ☐ No stitching, no Velcro, no air holes, no noise during transfer
- ☐ The mattress can remain inflated during transport and many procedures
- ☐ Used throughout hospital, patient remains on inflated mattress even during imaging
- ☐ If in MRI, deflate for imaging, tiny spring in air inlet valve is non-ferrous metal
- ☐ Ergonomic Extension Handles on both sides, short handles on top and bottom

Positioning Patient on the AirSlide

- ☐ Clearly labeled "HEAD" with two arrows that should be pointing to the ears
- ☐ Patients head is supported and feet can hang over the bottom if patient is tall
- ☐ Disposable sheet covers mattress and is optional in use
- ☐ Safety straps are for "peace of mind" as patient will be cradled by the mattress
- ☐ Ideally AirSlide is under the bed sheet when the patient first gets into their bed
- ☐ To place AirSlide under a patient, log roll patient with bedding, center patient on AirSlide
- ☐ Bedding that was on bed mattress should now be on AirSlide mattress

Performing a Lateral Transfer

- ☐ We recommend two attendants be present for each transfer
- ☐ Always lock the wheels on both bed and gurney prior to performing a transfer
- ☐ Raise the bed rails so patient is not pulled too far and overshoots the destination surface
- ☐ Lower the destination surface one or two inches below the starting surface
- ☐ Attach hose by pressing nozzle into spring valve such that it stays inserted
- ☐ Press green button to turn on air supply letting mattress inflate (5-7 seconds)
- ☐ Air Supply will shut off automatically if using the AirSlide air supply
- ☐ Disconnect air hose from mattress and let some air out to adjust patient comfort
- ☐ If using another brand air supply, be careful not to over inflate mattress
- ☐ Grab extension handles and gently and slowly slide patient to new surface
- ☐ Moving feet first, then head to new surface requires less force than moving all at once
- ☐ Raise side rails on stretcher to secure mattress in place for transport

Cleaning and Storage

- ☐ Same procedure as cleaning hospital mattresses and surfaces (germicidal cleaner)
- ☐ Mattress and cover sheet can also be laundered see user manual for details
- ☐ Keep all components in the storage bag so they are together when needed

Safety

- ☐ Never leave a patient unattended
- ☐ When using another brand air supply do not over inflate the mattress
- ☐ Always lock the wheels on both bed and gurney prior to performing a transfer
- ☐ Keep side rails in the upright and locked position while transporting and waiting