

ELEVATE YOUR STANDARD OF CARE

Reduce Patient Handling Injuries with Solutions Designed for Caregivers and Their Patients

PATIENT HANDLING INJURIES BURDEN THE HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY



The financial impact of work-related injuries is significant. **Direct and indirect** costs associated with back injuries alone, in the healthcare industry, are \$20 billion annually nationwide¹



Hospitals represent one of the most hazardous work environments in the US. On average, there are **5.7 work-related injuries per 100 FTE's — twice the rate for private industry as a whole**²



Nurses, on average, lift **1.8 tons per 8 hour shift**³



Overexertion/bodily reaction is the most prevalent event resulting in days away from work⁴



8 out of 10 Nurses work with Musculoskeletal Pain⁵



The average cost to replace a nurse is **\$27K - \$103K**⁶



Patient handling claims have the **highest average cost** of all workers' compensation causes of loss at **\$14,100 per claim**⁷

Additionally, indirect costs are **3 times the direct cost of a claim**⁸

ONE PRODUCT. MANY USES.

The breathable HoverMatt[®] Single-Patient Use (SPU) Air Transfer System makes patient transfers, boosting, positioning and proning easier, while protecting caregiver safety. A cushion of air beneath the inflated HoverMatt SPU reduces the force required to move a patient by 80-90%, enabling caregivers to safely transfer patients without lifting or straining.



TRANSFER

HOVERTECH CAN HELP

Use of the HoverMatt can significantly improve safety, satisfaction, and workplace productivity.



CAREGIVER SAFETY

- The use of the HoverMatt, in conjunction with an effective Safe Patient Handling and Mobility (SPHM) program has been shown to reduce caregiver injuries resulting from patient handling:
 - 73% injury reduction⁹
 - 94% lost/restricted work day reduction⁹
 - 98% direct medical and indirect cost reduction⁹



CAREGIVER PRODUCTIVITY AND SATISFACTION

- Only 2 caregivers are needed to laterally transfer a patient with the HoverMatt compared to 4 caregivers with a traditional sheet transfer.¹⁰ (based on 200-lb patient)
- HoverMatt stays under the patient¹¹ for all-day care which simplifies the decision-making process for caregivers



PATIENT SAFETY AND SATISFACTION

- Uphold the efforts for pressure injury prevention¹¹
 - Manages microclimate properties
 - Redistributes pressure under bony prominences
 - Reduces friction and shear
- **Preserves patient dignity** and cradles them while moving them in a stable position

HERE'S THE EVIDENCE

Results of implementing the HoverMatt as part of an effective safe patient handling and mobility program.





LAB STUDY REPORT

Force gauge evaluations validate that the HoverMatt **reduces the force needed** to move a patient by 80–90%.^{12,13}



PRESSURE INJURY PREVENTION LAB STUDY

Technical Studies using the latest industry recognized standards created and approved by the National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel (NPIAP) Support Surface Standards Initiative (S3I).

- Heat and Water Vapor (Body Analog Method)
- Immersion and Envelopment
- Moisture Vapor Transmission Rate (MVTR)
- Sliding Resistance (Friction and Shear)

THE LEADERS IN SAFE PATIENT HANDLING

Extensive offering of air-assisted device solutions for a broad range of patient handling needs.

HOVERMATT[°] AIR TRANSFER SYSTEM





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