Instructions

Use of Positioning Sling on Bed

Turning the patient from supine (nose up) to prone (nose down) and back to supine (nose up)

Set Up

Place 2 x Positioning Sling (284226) on the bed as shown.

Take note that for the labels indicating “This Side Up”; one label should be at the top and one should be at the bottom.

Should you have a need to lift the patient’s pelvis or trunk to place pillows or wedges for additional positioning in prone – then place the desired number of Multi Support sling(s) (284223) in between the bottom and top layers of the Positioning Slings in the appropriate locations.

Do not use the elastic bands on the corners of the slings on a bed or surface wider than an O.R. table or procedure / imaging table.

If using a Repositioning sling for usual care, it can be used to fully lift the patient to place the Positioning Slings and or Multi Support(s) as described.

Set Up

For only the BOTTOM Positioning Sling, you will note that the blue layer is unfolded from beneath the white layer, and out to the side. Have the full length and width of the blue layer out to the side on the bed as shown.

This will ‘lock‘ or keep stable, the bottom Positioning Sling preventing it from sliding or moving once the patient is lying in the prone position on top of it.
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Step 1
Attach the two lifting straps on the top Positioning Sling as illustrated.

Lift the hanger to begin turning while simultaneously pushing against the patient’s hip and shoulder. Coordinate the pushing with the lifting speed while taking note of the patient’s position at all times.

You may need some assistance to lightly hold the bottom Positioning Sling in the desired location during the turn.

Step 2
The patient is lying in prone (nose down) on the bottom Positioning sling.
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Step 3

Step 4

When ready to turn the patient onto their back, take the upper and lower corners of the blue layer and fold it back under the white layer of the sling, until it is completely through and visible on other side.

Step 5

Attach the lifting straps, and repeat the procedure for turning previously described.

If using a Repositioning Sling for usual care, have the Repositioning Sling, partially folded beside the patient on the bed, so it can be slid into place during the turn so the patient comes to rest in the supine position and centered on the Repositioning Sling.