

Description of Task: 1 Healthcare Worker assisting a patient to sit up in bed/lie down in bed								
Position/Job: 1 Healthcare Worker (HCW)			Department/Unit: All patient care areas					
Potential Hazards			Personal Protective Equipment Required					
	Risk for Injury (check all that apply)		Specij	Specify Type, Manufacturer, Model				
	Biological (puncture/spill/splash/exposure)			Head P	Protection:			
	Caught In/Under/Between Wall, Equipmen	t		Eye Pro	otection:			
	Chemical/Hazardous Substance/Medication	n		Hearin	g Protection:			
	Contact with Hot/Cold Object/Substance			Face P	rotection:			
	Contact with Sharp Object (not biological)			Hand F	Protection:			
	Electrical		\boxtimes	Foot P	rotection: Proper Footwe	ar		
	Falling or moving equipment/material			Respira	ator/Fit Test:			
	Moving machinery / parts			Body P	rotection:			
\boxtimes	MSI-Awkward / sustained postures			Hi Visik	oility Apparel:			
\boxtimes	MSI-Forceful exertions			Other:				
	MSI-Repetitive motions		Equipment and/or tools required to perform task					
	Noise		Adjustable Bed (if available) / Stretcher					
	Surfaces/Objects causing slips, trip or falls		1 slider sheet (folded) or 1 slider tube (if available)					
	Task requires more than 1 worker							
	Violent, Aggressive or Reactive Behaviours		For machine operation tasks complete the following					
	Working Alone or in Isolation		Machine Description and Safety Features:					
	Working at Heights							
Patient/Client/Resident Related Tasks - be knowledgeable				Set-up and maintenance of this equipment is only to be				
of patient specific hazards (CARE Alert, Falls Risk, Patient			performed by trained/authorized staff following the					
Handling Assessment, Isolation Precautions, etc.) manufac					's manual.			
Training and Proficiency:								
Staff who perform this task must be trained as indicated below in this safe work procedure prior to performing it.								
Training must be documented. This SWP must be available to staff.								
☐Read Procedure and Sign			☐ Other Required Training: <i>Specify</i>					
□ Demonstrated Competency ⊠ Watched Video								
Responsibilities								
Manager/Supervisor or Designate: Ensure all staff are trained and that duties are performed in accordance to training, established health and safety regulations, guidelines, policies and procedures (e.g. following safe work procedures).			Staff performing task: Perform task in accordance to training, established health and safety regulations, guidelines, policies and procedures (e.g. following safe work procedures). Follow process for reporting hazards, injuries, occurrences and patient safety events.					
Appr	oved by	Effectiv	e Date	Revised Effective Date	Reviewed Date			
Provincial Workplace Safety & Health Working					January 2022			
Group								



This safe work procedure was created by The Provincial Workplace Safety and Health MSIP Subcommittee and will be reviewed any time the task, equipment or materials change and at a minimum of every three years from the last revision date.

Notes/Other Considerations:

- Patient must be able to:
 - o Follow directions and be cooperative
 - Assist with moving over and turning in bed using arm(s) and/or leg(s). If patient is unable to roll onto their side (e.g., hip replacement), alternate procedures may be required that do not require rolling (i.e., raise head of bed and ask patient to push through arms and move legs over the edge of bed)
 - Assist with moving from side lying to sit and/or sit to side lying
- More than 1 HCW or alternative equipment may be required if:
 - o Patient requires more than minimal assistance to move/turn in bed or position leg(s) on/off bed
 - o Patient has obesity
 - o Low or high muscle tone is present
 - o Patient care equipment or devices are being used (e.g., Casts, braces/splints, etc.)
 - Recent surgery or fracture (e.g., Hip precautions) etc.

If behavior interferes with care, alternate procedures and/or equipment may be required

Steps to be taken to complete task safely

- HCW adjusts bed to ensure patient's feet are close to floor. If patient is able to sit with feet unsupported, raise bed to maintain a straight back.
- To ensure there is enough room on bed to roll, position patient with bent elbow in line with edge of bed if able.



Ask patient to bend knee furthest from direction of roll or cross the legs at the ankle. Ask patient to pull on aids if available (e.g., bed rail) and/or push foot into bed (as able) to roll onto side.









OPTION 1 (PUSH)

OPTION 2 (PULL)

If patient requires minimal assistance to roll, stand in a wide base of support with one foot in front of the other or with knee of front leg on the bed.

Place hands on the client's hip and shoulder and:

Option 1 (preferred): Raise bed rail on opposite side of HCW if present. Push client away from you. Ensure weight shift from back leg to front leg.

Option 2: Lower bed rail on same side as HCW if present. Pull client towards you. Ensure weight shift from front leg to back leg.



Ensure bed rail is lowered if present. Raise head of bed as tolerated. HCW stands at side of bed with a wide base of support, and back straight. HCW places one hand on patient's shoulder and opposite hand on hip or thigh.



Ask patient to move legs off bed or provide minimal assistance to slide legs over edge of bed as tolerated. Add slider under legs if necessary.

Patient is asked to assist to push up using the bottom elbow and top hand as able. HCW shifts weight and guides patient into sitting at the shoulder and pressing downward on the hips.



HCW places hand on patient's shoulder to help maintain balance, as necessary. Adjust height of bed as needed to lower to a safe transfer height. Ask patient to move forward on bed as required so patient's feet are flat on the floor. If minimal assistance is required, HCW positions themselves low (e.g. half kneel) in front of patient. Ask patient to lean to one side. HCW weight shifts and guides patient's thigh and hip forward towards edge of bed.





- 7 If no further assistance with legs is required, reverse procedure to return patient to lying position.
- If patient requires assist with legs into bed, raise bed rail if present. Patient lowers upper body onto bed surface.

Option 1 - HCW is in a low position facing the patient's feet with back straight. Wrap sheet or alternative (e.g., transfer belt) around patient's lower leg(s) and hold ends to reduce low position. Alternatively HCW place hands around patient's lower leg(s).









Straighten knees/hips, keep back straight and shift weight up and forward to lift patient's leg(s) onto edge of bed while patient lowers upper body. Note: where possible, lift one leg at a time.

Option 2 - HCW places a slider on the edge of bed, tucking it under the thigh. HCW places hands onto the upper shin of the patient and pushes leg(s) across slider onto the bed. Remove slider.







Option 3 - Wrap slider or alternative (e.g., sheet) around lower limbs. Hold ends while standing at the foot of bed with one foot in front of the other, keeping elbows close to body. HCW shifts weight from front leg to back leg and walks backwards as required while pulling legs onto bed. Alternatively, stand in a low half kneel/crouch position at foot of bed . Shift weight up and forward to lift patient's leg(s) onto edge of bed. Note: where possible, lift one leg at a time.





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Relate	red Materials:	
Refere	rences:	