



Important Safety Reminder: Protect Power Cords When Moving Hospital Beds

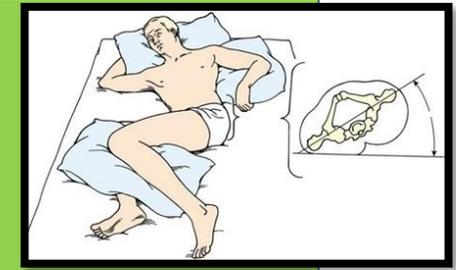
We have recently seen an increase in damage caused by hospital beds rolling over power cords. This may seem like a small issue, but it creates serious risks for patients, staff, and equipment.

- ❑ Running over power cords can lead to:
 - Internal electrical damage to beds, pumps, and other devices.
 - Exposed wiring creates shock and fire hazards.
 - Intermittent power failures that interrupt patient care.
 - Costly repairs and equipment downtime.
- ❑ What to do instead:
 - Trace and clear all cords before moving a bed.
 - Lift and reposition cords safely out of the wheel path.
 - Report any damaged cords immediately and remove item from use.



Protecting electrical equipment is essential for maintaining safe, reliable patient care. Thank you for taking a moment to check your surroundings before moving beds and for helping prevent avoidable damage.

PIP Tip of the Week: TAKE ACTION



LINKING BRADEN SCALE SCORES TO INTERVENTIONS

MOBILITY IN THE BED MOVEMENT

- [1] **Constantly Immobile**
 - *Requires assistance for even slight changes*
- [2] **Very Limited**
 - *Occasional, slight changes in body*
- [3] **Slightly Limited**
 - *Frequent, slight changes in position but needs help for significant changes (getting on side)*
- [4] **No Limitations**
 - *Changes position frequently without assistance*

INTERVENTIONS

Individualize to the patient
Scores of 1 or 2 probably need all

- Turn every 2-3 hours
- Place on specialty mattress
- Use positioning aids: wedges, pillows
- Use lift equipment
- Keep HOB as flat as possible
- Place sacral and heel silicone bordered foam dressings
- Elevate heels off the bed: pillows or green heel lift boots
- On side: 30 degrees, sacrum floating, upper leg forward
- Seated: no more than 1 hour, waffle cushion
- Egress Test
- PT/OT consult

Reminder- 3M Coban Self-Adherent Wrap Rolls are single patient use

- Coban rolls are single patient use only. Dispose of excess after each use.

