




SCHIPP.M4.010

SAFE WORK PROCEDURE		REPOSITIONING IN BED WITH LIFT AND REPOSITIONING SLING TWO MINIMUM ASSIST	
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<p>Potential Hazards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) If procedure not followed, there is risk for awkward postures and overextension, which can lead to musculoskeletal injury. 2) Depending on the workload, repetitive motions may be a risk. 3) Client or caregiver may slip, trip and fall. 4) Client may grab or strike from reactive or defensive behavior. 5) Microorganism Transmission <p>Signs and symptoms of a musculoskeletal injury (MSI) can include pain, burning, swelling, stiffness, numbness/tingling, and/or loss of movement or strength in a body part. Report these to your supervisor.</p>		<p>Personal protective equipment / devices required / other safety considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ceiling lift or Floor lift is in working order, battery charged and aware of operation of buttons/manual controls. ➤ Manufacturer specific Repositioning sling ➤ Adjustable bed if possible ➤ Appropriate Footwear for Caregivers ➤ Clothing that allows Caregivers movement ➤ Additional Caregivers may be required based on Client needs ➤ Routine Practices; Additional Precautions as assigned 	
		<p>Training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Initial Orientation and regular review <p>Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Follow Manufacturer's Instructions for equipment ➤ SCHIPP.M1.001 Module 1 ➤ Video SCHIPP.RES.830 Repositioning in Bed with Lift And Repositioning Sling Two Minimum Assist 	
<p>Client Criteria and Supportive Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ May resist movement and may not follow instruction. ➤ May be used for a Client that is transferred with floor or overhead lift ➤ Client is difficult to roll due to stiffness, size, pain level or behavior. ➤ Repositioning sling may be left under Client when in bed and covered with a fitted sheet or flat sheet for comfort, Check with Client care plan that there are no pressure issues where having an additional layer is a concern. ➤ Transport a portable overhead lift on a cart - never carry it. ➤ Attach a portable overhead lift to the track by using the manufacturer's attachment wand. ➤ An overhead track lift is more effective to use with repositioning sling versus floor lift. However, the bed may need to be moved once Client lifted to achieve correct position. 			
<p>Steps to perform this task safely:</p>			
		<p>Preparation for use of Repositioning sling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Position bed so that there is enough room to move. ➤ Ensure bed is positioned under the track if being used so that the strap on the lift will be in straight vertical position: not on a slant. ➤ Apply brakes on bed. Lower side rails if needed. ➤ If possible, adjust height of bed to waist height of shortest Caregiver. 	



	<p>Position Sling and Lift and Attach Sling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A repositioning sling is left under Client. It may be covered with a sheet, if not interfering with skin integrity or mattress used. ➤ Lift is positioned directly over Client. Lower hanger bar over Client and position with hooks aligned head to toe for turning, or across the Client's chest for lifting. ➤ Choose correct loops based on movement intended and securely attach to lift.
	<p>Client is Turned to Side:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Attach sling loops on one side of hanger bar to turn Client in opposite direction. Ensure a Caregiver is standing on receiving side and pillow adjusted forward so Client's head lies on it once turned. Use remote raise Client into side lying. ➤ If Client needs care, only attach the top loops onto one side of the hanger bar so once turned, back and buttocks are exposed. Provide care/apply sling, etc. If applying sling, put between Client and repositioning sling or lower Client onto a wedge or pillow remove sling loops and insert sling. Lower Client onto back. ➤ Repeat with opposite top loops turn to other side to complete care and pull sling out.
	<p>Client is Lifted Off Bed Surface and Moved Up or Down or Side to Side:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Position carry bar across the bed. Apply sling loops from both sides of sling onto lift. Generally, the longer the loops attached throughout, the less confining the sling is for the Client. You may not be able to reach the loops at foot area, push sling up under knees. ➤ Lift Client with sling trying to keep Client as level as possible. ➤ Caregivers weight shift to move lift to desired location over bed. ➤ Remove straps from hanger bar.
	<p>Lower and Disengage Client from Lift:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Lower Client to bed until the straps are loose to remove from lift more easily. ➤ Do not leave the hanger bar of overhead lift hanging over the Client.
	<p>Comfort and Positioning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Straighten out the repositioning sling and pull sheet back, (if indicated) remove wrinkles ➤ Client is comfortably supported with positioning pillows as required. ➤ Bed should be lowered to proper height when Caregiver leaves the room.
<p>Managers/Supervisors: ensure all duties are performed in accordance to training on the Safe Work Procedure, established health and safety regulations/guidelines, policies and procedures (e.g. following safe work procedures) to ensure the staff member, co-workers and clients are safe.</p> <p>Staff performing task: perform task in accordance to training on the Safe Work Procedure and established health and safety regulations. Notify Manager or supervisors of all occurrences, injuries, illnesses or safety and health concerns which are likely to harm themselves or others. Ensure work is completed safely for co-worker, client and personal safety.</p> <p>Note: this task will be monitored periodically to ensure compliance and safety.</p>	