

HOSPITAL BED SAFETY & OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

PURPOSE:

Adjustable beds are designed for individuals who need to have their body position changed frequently. This includes the elevation of the head and feet to help alleviate pain or for positioning of the body in ways that are not feasible with an ordinary bed.

BED PLACEMENT:

Place the bed slightly away from any walls so raising and lowering of side rails will not be hindered.

RAISING HEAD AND KNEES:

- First Row -- Raise the bed under the patient's head by pressing the up arrow; lower by using the down arrow on the bed controller.
- Center Row -- Raise both head and knees by pressing the up arrow; lower by using the down arrow on the bed controller..
- Bottom Row -- Raise the bed under the patient's knees by pressing the up arrow; lower by using the down arrow on the bed controller.
- FULL ELECTRIC BEDS ONLY -- Raise the height of the bed by pressing up arrow (middle buttons) on controller. Lower by using the down arrow on the bed controller.

BED SIDERAILS:

Support side rail with hand while pulling out release pin located at the bottom of the side rail at either end and lower carefully. To raise side rail, pull up until the side rail locks. ***Do no pull on the side rails to position patient.***

POWER OUTAGE:

During a power outage, use the emergency hand crank that is located in the bedsprings at the foot of the bed under the mattress. Place the crank into the base of the motor(s) and turn to raise or lower head and/or knees.)

SAFETY:

Never leave a physically challenged individual or child unattended in the bed. You should never place anything under the bed, including people. Always abide by the manufacturer operational and safety guidelines. Only one person is allowed in the bed at one time.

MAINTENANCE:

A certified professional should only perform maintenance. Your medical equipment company is fully qualified to fix and maintain adjustable beds. If you suspect your bed has any problems, consult with your provider immediately. Do not use the bed until it has been evaluated.

ALWAYS INFORM YOUR EQUIPMENT PROVIDER IF ANY PIECE OF EQUIPMENT FAILS TO FUNCTION PROPERLY. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REPAIR THE EQUIPMENT YOURSELF.