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Healthcare workers experience some of the highest rates of occupational injuries of any industry—exceeding even construction and manufacturing.²

Because patient moves and transfers are strenuous on staff, patients also risk potential injury from improper handling.³

Research shows assistive technology and a safe patient handling program help reduce potential injuries, while improving the quality of patient care.⁴⁵⁶ Medline’s lifting equipment reflects some of the best thinking and practices in the industry. Our lifts and stand assists give caregivers safe and secure support for lifting, transferring and ambulating patients.

Exceptional care is your business. Supporting you exceptionally is ours.

Lower workers’ comp costs by 61%
Reduce lost workdays by 66%
Cut restricted workdays by 38%

Benefits:

1. Injury rates for healthcare workers exceed manufacturing by 2-3x.
2. Back injuries cost the healthcare industry $20 billion.
4. CDC-recommended number of lifts per immobile patient is $20B 95% 1:8
Safe Patient Handling Program

WHO HAS THEIR BACKS?
Make Sure You Do.

Program Contents:

IN-SERVICE VIDEOS WITH QUIZZES
Train staff on the proper way to move and position patients using lifting equipment and test their knowledge.

COMPETENCY CHECKLISTS
Ensure nurses and nursing support staff have a thorough understanding of how to use the lifting equipment.

INSTRUCTION GUIDES
Provide at-a-glance instructions for operating the different types of lifting equipment.

EQUIPMENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Assess and test Medline’s lifting equipment before purchase.

ASSESSMENT FORMS
Review all aspects of your patient handling program prior to implementation and on an annual basis.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA AND CARE PLAN
Evaluate each patient’s lifting needs and related conditions, and develop an individualized safe handling strategy.

Use of lifting equipment is essential to a successful safe patient handling program, helping reduce injuries by up to 95%. Equally important is having the proper sling to support the patient during transfer and lifting procedures.

Medline provides a complete range of slings for a variety of tasks—lifts, transfers, toileting, standing and gait training.

Universal—MDSMHC70012
Single Patient Use—MDSM9453
Full Body—MDMS9451
Toileting—MDMPS02

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