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VersaCare® Bed Tips
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FOR COMPLETE INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO OPERATE THE VERSACARE® BED, SEE USER’S MANUAL.
FlexAfoot™ Mechanism

- Allows the caregiver to customize the overall length of the bed and sleep surface to fit the patient.
- The bed and surface can be retracted up to 11” (28 cm) which also aids the caregiver during transport (i.e. small elevators, smaller turning radius).
- Helps reduce patient migration to the foot-end of the bed.
- Integrated surface automatically adjusts to the length of the bed as FlexAfoot™ mechanism is activated.

To Activate:
- Press and hold the foot Shorter control to retract the foot section.
- Press and hold the foot Longer control to extend the foot section.
OneStep® CPR & Emergency Trendelenburg

- If using an integrated air surface (VersaCare A.I.R.® or VersaCare® P500), the surface automatically goes into Max Inflate for 30 minutes when CPR or Emergency Trendelenburg is activated. After 30 minutes, the surface will go into Normal/Standard mode.
- A cardiac arrest board is required. The headboard can be used in place of the cardiac arrest board.

To Activate:
- Pull and hold the handle.
- Hold the handle until the head and knee sections come to a stop in the flat position and the foot section stops raising.
- Release the handle.

To Activate Emergency Trendelenburg:
- Pull and hold the handle.
- Hold the handle until the head and knee sections come to a stop in the flat position and the foot section stops raising.
- Continue to hold the handle until the desired angle is reached (up to 15°).
Patient Repositioning – Boost® Function

• If your patient needs to be repositioned, use the Boost® feature to make it easier for you by placing the bed in the ideal position to reposition your patient.
• Pressing the Boost® button will:
  - Max Inflate the mattress
  - Flatten the bed
  - Put the bed at the ideal working height
  - Place the bed in 7° Reverse Trendelenburg

To Activate:
• Press the Boost® button on the siderail.

To Deactivate:
• Press the Boost® button to return the bed to flat position.
Bed Exit Alarm–3 Mode Patient Position Monitor

The bed exit alarm will notify the caregiver when:

- **Out of Bed**: patient’s weight shifts significantly off the frame of the bed.
- **Exiting**: patient moves away from the center of the bed towards an egress point.
- **Patient Position**: patient moves toward either siderail or moves away from the head section, such as sitting up in bed.

**To Activate:**

- Ensure patient is on the bed.
- Press the enable control.
- Press the desired mode control. When the system beeps one time and the indicator light stays on, the system is armed.

**To Deactivate:**

- Press the Enable Control.
- Press the desired mode control. When the system beeps one time and the indicator light is gone, the system is deactivated.
Zeroing the Scale

- The scale should be zeroed prior to placing a patient on the bed.
- Be sure to put ALL linens, pillows, and equipment on the bed prior to zeroing the scale.

How to Zero the Scale:
- Press the Enable Control.
- Press and hold the Zero Control until 00.0 is shown.
- (HOLD will be displayed until 00.0 is shown) and then release the control.
- NOTE: After releasing the control, the scale display will show ‘CALC’. Do not touch the bed until the display stops flashing ‘CALC’ and shows 0.0.
Weighing A Patient

• Be sure the scale has been zeroed with linens, pillows, and other equipment on the bed prior to weighing the patient.

How To Weigh A Patient:
• Make sure the patient is centered on the bed.
• Ensure the bed is clear of all obstructions (lines, tubing, walls, etc.).
• Press the weigh button.
• On release of the weigh control, the bed gets the current patient’s weight. It is shown in lbs for 10 seconds, then kg for 5 seconds and then repeats.
Vascular Position

- Allows for the patient’s legs to be placed above the level of their sternum.

**To Activate:**
- Lower the head section to the desired position.
- Raise the knee section to the desired position.
- Use the Trendelenburg control to position the sleep deck to the desired position.

**To Deactivate:**
- Use the Reverse Trendelenburg control to return the bed frame to the horizontal position.
- Use the bed flat to return the sleep deck to the flat position.
HandsFree® Foot Pedals

• Foot pedals allow the caregiver to raise and lower the head of the bed and the height of the bed without using their hands.

To Activate:
• Step down on any pedal for 1-3 seconds.
• Release the pedal.
• Step down on the pedal of the desired function until the desired function is achieved.
Lockout Controls

- Located on the caregiver siderail control panel, the lockout controls allow the caregiver to disable the bed articulating functions to prevent patient positioning features from being used.
- Features that can be locked out:
  - Bed high/low
  - Knee up/down
  - Head up/down
  - Adjustable bed length

To Activate:
- Simultaneously press the Lock button and the specific lockout control desired (either up or down).
- Both patient and caregiver controls are locked out.
- An audible alarm sounds when a lockout is activated.

- An amber light will illuminate on the lock for the feature that you want locked out—this signifies that the feature is locked out.

To Deactivate:
- Simultaneously press the Lock button and the specific lockout control desired (either up or down).
- An audible alarm sounds and the amber light disappears when a lockout is deactivated.
Head-of-Bed (HOB) Angle Alarm

- Visually confirm the head-of-bed is elevated 30 degrees or higher to comply with protocols.
- HOB angle alarm can be easily set to notify caregivers if the HOB is lowered less than 30°.

To Activate:
- Raise the head-of-bed above 30°.
- Press the Enable Key.
- Press the 30° head-of-bed button. The green button will light up to indicate the alarm has been set.

To Deactivate:
- Press the Enable Key.
- Press the 30° head-of-bed button. The green indicator will go off.
Turn Assist Feature

- Assists with turning the patient for linen changes, dressing changes, bedpanning, back care and other nursing procedures.
- Siderails must be in the up position to activate Turn Assist.
- Once Turn Assist is initiated, you may lower a siderail to facilitate patient care.
- The bed will alarm as a precaution.
- Turn Assist can be activated from either side of the bed.

To Activate:
- Press the Enable Control and then either Left Turn or Right Turn on the siderail.
Max Inflate Feature

- Maximizes the firmness of the primary section of the patient surface.
- Assists in patient surface-to-surface transfers and/or repositioning.
- Bed will stay in Max Inflate for 30 minutes before returning to normal/standard state.

**To Activate:**
- Press the Enable Control and then press the Max Inflate button on the siderail.

**To Deactivate:**
- Press the enable control and then press the Pressure Relief/Normal button.
Line Managers

- Simplify and organize patient lines to avoid entanglement or pinching.
- Flexible and can be bent in any position.
- NOTE: Do not wrap cords around the line managers.
LowChair® Position

• Allows the patient to be placed into a chair position, while maintaining low height.

To Activate:
• Set the brake.
• Press the Enable Control and then the Chair button.
Sleep Mode

- Sleep mode temporarily disables the air system to allow patients who are sensitive to sleep surface movement to sleep.
- Air pressure in the mattress is monitored, but the air pump will not run unless the air pressure falls below or above a preset level.
- NOTE: Sleep mode remains active for 8 hours. After 8 hours, the surface will revert back to Pressure Relief/Normal Mode.

To Activate:
- Press the Enable Control.
- Simultaneously press the Left Turn Assist and Right Turn Assist control and hold for 5 seconds. After 5 seconds, the right and left Turn Assist indicators will illuminate.

To Deactivate:
- Press the Enable Control.
- Press any surface control.
- NOTE: Sleep mode remains active for 8 hours. After 8 hours, the surface will revert back to Pressure Relief/Normal Mode.
Bed Exit Alarm Silence

- If silencing before the patient exits the bed, press the Enable control (key button).
- Press the Alarm Silence button.
- Once the patient is properly positioned back in bed, the bed will scan for the patient’s weight and automatically reset.
- When you hear a beep and see the green indicator light appear next to the Bed Exit Mode, the bed exit has been reset.
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