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Hospital Bed

Thank you for choosing DASCO to provide you with your hospital bed. Hospital beds are primarily used for positioning of the body in ways not feasible with a regular home bed or to permit the attachment of other pieces of equipment that cannot be attached to a home bed. While a prescription is not required to dispense a hospital bed, it is necessary if DASCO is going to bill your insurance. Both the patient and the caregiver(s) should become familiar with all the basic operations of the hospital bed.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS ...

Semi-Electric Hospital Bed ...

A semi-electric hospital bed is a bed that has electronic function of elevating the head and the leg portions, but the overall height (ground to mattress) must be adjusted manually (with a crank). The pendant has 4 buttons: one pair to operate the head spring and the other pair to operate the foot spring. With each pair of buttons, one lowers and the other one raises. If your electric goes out you can still operate the bed manually with the crank for the head and foot.

GENERAL TIPS ON YOUR HOSPITAL BED ...

- The bed height can be raised to prevent bending or stooping by the caregiver(s) when assisting the patient.
- We recommend before you elevate the head section, you elevate the leg section slightly; this prevents the patient from sliding down the bed. This is also generally more comfortable.
- The bed should be adjusted to allow the best possible position to get the patient into and out of bed.
- When transferring into a wheelchair or commode, raise the height of the bed slightly when getting out and lower the bed slightly for transfers back into bed, this allows a "down hill" transfer which is easier because of the assistance of gravity.
- Patients who are unstable should not attempt to transfer into or out of the hospital bed without assistance.
- The wheels on the bed contain locks, which should always be engaged any time the patient is transferring into or out of the bed.
- The castor locks should also be "locked" when turning the patient in the bed.
- The side rails should be elevated when turning a patient in bed; the patient should be turned towards the caregiver, never roll the patient towards the opposite side of the bed.
- Do not move the bed on your own, rather call 800-892-4044 and a DASCO Associate will assist you.

REMEMBER TO CONTACT DASCO IF...

- Your Hospital Bed malfunctions. It is important to call as soon as possible.
- You are unable to keep a scheduled appointment.
- Your physician changed your prescription.
- You move or your phone number changes.
- You have a change in insurance or physician.

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**If you have any questions about your Hospital Bed,
do not hesitate to contact us at: 800-892-4044**