

CONNECTICUT VALLEY HOSPITAL

Physical Therapy Services

PT Equipment Procedure # 33

Re: Columbia Low Back Toilet Support

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Description:

The Columbia Low Back Toilet Support is a plastic low back support that prevents the patient from sitting back too far on the toilet seat and rubbing their back against toilet fixtures.

Indications:

Obese neurologically impaired individuals or individuals with limited physical capabilities especially sitting balance may benefit from added back support when sitting on the toilet.

Precautions:

Frequently check that all-locking knobs and parts are tight.

Procedure:

- 1.) Installation as per manual instructions.
- 2.) Transfer patient to toilet using stand-pivot or other transfer method.
- 3.) Have patient slowly lean against back support.
- 4.) Back support may be raised or lowered to increase comfort level of individual patient.
- 5.) Return to W/C with stand-pivot or other transfer method.
- 6.) When not in use, support back may be removed.

Cleaning:

Clean as per Hospital Procedure being careful to clean between chrome support piece and porcelain toilet back. Always keep the chrome parts dry to prevent deterioration of the finish.