

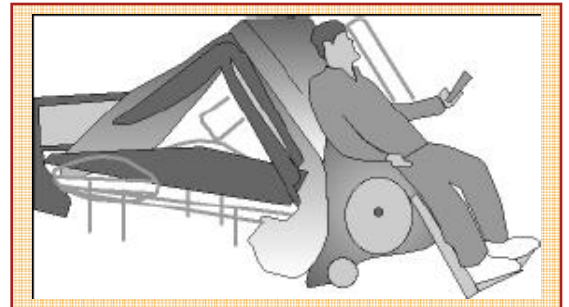
## SAFETY BASICS *Healthcare Series*

### Repositioning

**Activity:** Resident Handling

**Description:** Beds that convert to chairs

**When to Use:** Repositioning residents who are totally dependent, non-weight bearing, very heavy, or have other physical limitations. Can also be used to assist residents who are partially weight bearing from a sit-to-stand position.



**Points to Remember:** Additional friction-reducing devices may be required to reposition resident. Heavy duty beds are available for bariatric residents. Device should have easy-to-use controls located within easy reach of the caregiver, sufficient foot clearance, and wide range of adjustment.

Electric motor operation is preferred to reduce physical exertion and risk of musculoskeletal injury to caregiver and to facilitate positioning of resident.

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