WEDGE THE PELVIC EXAM WEDGE



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5" height lifts the patient's pelvis significantly higher than a standard bedpan. The unique cut-out feature allows physicians to use a speculum properly which results in a faster, higher quality exam.

The Wedgie™ can be quickly and easily slipped under the patient placing her into the proper position for a pelvic exam. It is much more comfortable than sitting on a hard, smaller bedpan.



The WedgieTM is constructed of medical grade foam and a medical grade nylon cover, it is:

- flame retardant
- anti-static
- stain resistant
- anti-microbial tear resistant - easily cleaned



Convenient, easy-to-install wall holder provides quick, easy access in every room.

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WEDGIE: Pelvic Exam Wedge

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WEDGIE Cover: *AL-79208*WEDGIE Wall Hanger: *AL-77171*

The WEDGIE: Pelvic Exam Wedge was conceived in order to provide a comfortable support structure for an uncomfortable exam. The angle, foam density, cut out, and choice of anti-microbial fabric were all designed to produce a high quality exam while adhering to the pledge to "Do No Harm."

PURPOSE

The WEDGIE is used to position the body so that an exam can be performed that will yield the information sought by the physician, sexual assault nurse, midwife, radiologist, etc.

EXAMS

The WEDGIE was originally designed to be an inexpensive tool to provide quick access to a female patient requiring a pelvic exam in the ER. The WEDGIE has been deployed in the Radiology Dept. for Sonograms and in the field with Midwifes and SANE workers and on charity missions where the WEDGIE acts as the primary OB/GYN surface.

STORAGE PLACEMENT The WEDGIE is ideally placed in each ED treatment and Radiology exam room using the Wall Hanger (AL-77171) so that every surface can be used to quickly exam and treat a female patient even if she shows up when the ED is full.

PREPARATION

Before using the WEDGIE, a hospital employee must ensure that it is clean. The WEDGIE must look and smell clean; no visible stains and no odors other than that of cleaning agents or disinfectants. Place the WEDGIE inside a Disposable WEDGIE Cover (AL-79208) to completely seal the WEDGIE. Place a blue chuk over covered WEDGIE for added protection.

POSITIONING

The patient's feet should be flat on the stretcher/bed. The WEDGIE is slid under the patient so the leading edge is even with the lower back; adjusting so that the pelvis is raised to the appropriate height for the exam.

CLEANING DISINFECTION

After the patient has left the exam area a hospital employee should inspect the WEDGIE. The minimum cleaning is removal and discarding the Disposable Cover and then performing surface disinfection with the hospital's designated disinfectant wipes. If a patient is a confirmed, or suspected, carrier of C-diff, MRSA, VRE, etc and surface disinfection for the entire room is required please contact ALCO Sales regarding use of either a mobile UV light or patented LED disinfection technology. For specific bodily fluids and specific stains please refer to the bullets below.

SUGGESTED STAIN REMOVAL

- Blood, urine, feces, oil based paint, tar and asphalt. Use: 1:1 mix of ammonia and water; or a 1:4 mix of bleach and water. Rinse with clean water and dry.
- Black felt tip pen, crayon, mascara, eye shadow, grease, and suntan lotion remove excess spill with a damp cloth. Clean with a 1:1 mix of Ivory liquid soap and water. Next, rinse with clean water and dry.
- Red lipstick: Use a straight application of concentrated cleaners such as Formula 409 or Fantastik spray cleaner. Wipe with a clean cloth, rinse with water and dry.

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