

Safe Resident Handling Quick Clip Instructions - Preparing for Transfer Tasks

This video quick clip has been developed to help you reinforce your safe resident handling training program. It's meant to help you quickly remind your staff of safe resident handling training concepts and best practices. The video clip may be viewed at your reporting meetings, stand up meetings, and/or as part of your department meetings. Our hope is to help you deliver a quick (video and discussion is less than five minutes) but effective message on your safe resident handling program. To help you use this clip in the most effective manner, please consider the following:

1. Play the video.
2. Review key components. Ask the caregivers to describe the key elements of the video training technique:
 - a. Resident should demonstrate:
 - i. State of alertness.
 - ii. Ability to follow directions.
 - iii. Ability to cooperate.
 - iv. Ability to maintain trunk control in sitting and standing positions.
 - b. Resident must be able to bear weight throughout the transfer.
 - c. Clear transfer area of trips hazards.
 - d. Lock all brakes on bed and/or wheelchair.
 - e. Make sure resident is wearing non-skid footwear.
3. Review your policy/procedure as it relates to preparing for a transfer. Be prepared to explain and discuss this before beginning your training session. Bring a written copy to refer to during your discussion.
4. Questions for group discussion – choose at least one question below for a good group discussion. You can re-watch the video at a different training session and choose a different question for each discussion.
 - a. How do you know it's safe to transfer your resident with a gait belt?
 - i. What are the signs for a successful gait belt transfer?
 - ii. What are the warning signs?
 - iii. What are the steps you take if you think the transfer will be unsuccessful or dangerous?
 - b. How do you prepare the different areas (shower room, dining room, bedroom) before you conduct a transfer?
 - i. What are the different hazards (call light cords, oxygen tubing, wet floors) you encounter when preparing the area for a transfer?
 - c. Customize the question to your organization. Here are a few examples.
 - i. Which resident rooms are difficult to prepare for a transfer?
 1. What makes it difficult (lots of furniture, small room, poor lighting)?
 2. What do you do before each transfer to make sure you're safe?
 3. After watching this quick clip, how will you change your approach?
5. Contact your loss control representative to receive further assistance with the development of your safe resident handling program.

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