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TRAPEZE BAR

Patient / Caregiver Education Material

A trapeze bar is intended to provide the patient with a means of self help to change position in bed and to move onto a bedpan. Try to avoid using the trapeze to transfer into the bed. The trapeze is not designed to be pulled from the side and could possibly cause the trapeze clamps to dislodge from the headboard.

Both patient and caregivers should give careful consideration to the adjustment of the grab bar position before the delivery person leaves your home. This will prevent the need to loosen the clamps to readjust the trapeze bar later, with the risk of either not getting the clamps tightened securely, or tightening them so tight that damage to the equipment results. Damage such as stripped threads or fractured clamps, can result in equipment failure and possible injury to the user. All clamps should be checked daily to ensure that they are securely tight.

When the head of the bed is elevated or when the caregiver is working with the patient in bed, the triangular grab bar can be placed out of the way by hooking it over the upper end of the offset bar and sliding it back toward the head of the bed.

ADDITIONAL NOTES FOR SPECIAL MODELS:

If your trapeze bar is installed on a floor stand (free standing), rather than being installed directly onto the head of the bed, you should be aware that it is not secured to the bed and may shift if pulled horizontally instead of vertically.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this education material or the Trapeze, please contact our office. Thank you.