





# **Elevate your standard of care**

Reduce patient handling injuries with solutions designed for both caregiver and patient

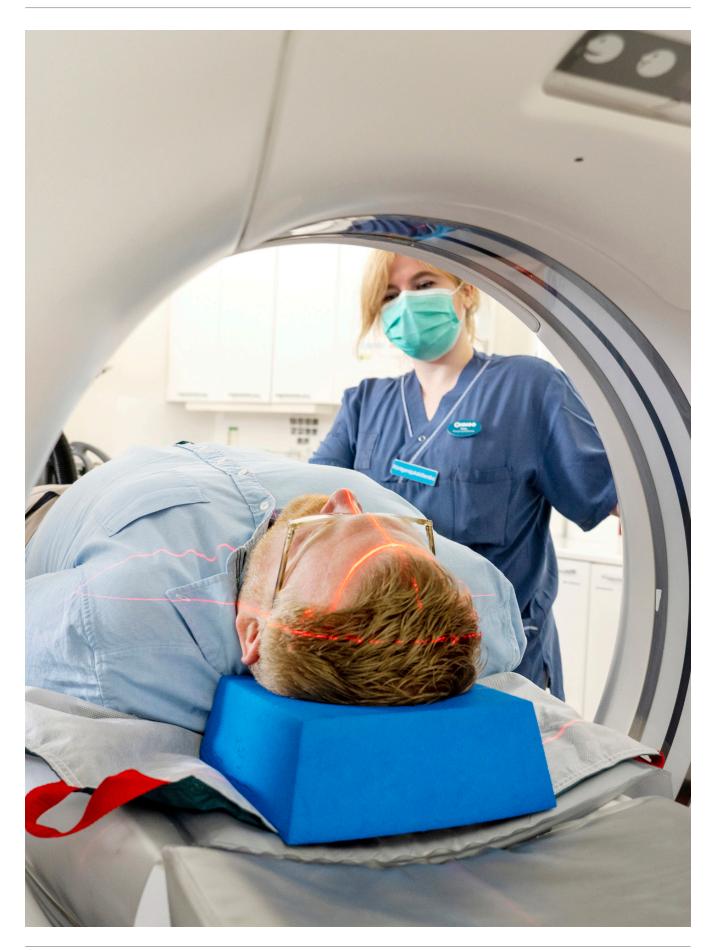


# **One product - many uses**

The breathable HoverMatt® Single-Patient Use (SPU) Air Transfer System makes patient transfers, boosting and positioning easier, while protecting caregiver safety. A cushion of air beneath the inflated HoverMatt SPU reduces the force required to move a patient by 80-90%, enabling caregivers to safely transfer patients without lifting or straining.









# Patient handling injuries burden the healthcare industry



50% of patients with suspected hip fracture transferred with HoverMatt experienced "No pain".<sup>1</sup>



Injuries among nurses and nurses aides occur at six times the rate of other groups within the field of healthcare.<sup>2</sup>



Nurses, on average, lift an elephant per 8 hour shift.<sup>3</sup>



A friction-reducing device reduced effort significantly, by 25% for the spine and 33% for the shoulders.<sup>4</sup>



A prospective study – including more than 5.000 healthcare workers – showed that consistent use of assistive devices is associated with a 40-50% reduced risk of back injury among female healthcare workers.<sup>2</sup>



Lateral transfers are the most frequent cause of back and shoulder musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs) in general nursing practice.<sup>5</sup>



A total of 25 studies met the inclusion criteria. The best postintervention outcomes of assistive devices deployment in the healthcare setting included a reduction in WMSD incidence by 59.8%, missed workdays by 90.0% and workers' compensation claims by 95.0%.<sup>6</sup>



# HoverTech products can help

Use of the HoverMatt can significantly improve safety, satisfaction, and workplace productivity.



#### **Caregiver Safety**

The use of the HoverMatt, in conjunction with an effective Safe Patient Handling and Mobility (SPHM) program has been shown to reduce caregiver injuries resulting from patient handling:

- 73% injury reduction<sup>9</sup>
- 94% lost/restricted work day reduction9
- 98% direct medical and indirect cost reduction<sup>9</sup>



# Caregiver productivity and satisfaction

- Only 2 caregivers are needed to laterally transfer a patient with the HoverMatt compared to 4 caregivers with a traditional sheet transfer.<sup>10</sup> (Based on 90 kg patient)
- HoverMatt stays under the patient<sup>11</sup> for all-day care which simplifies the decision-making process for caregivers



#### **Patient Safety and Satisfaction**

Uphold the efforts for pressure injury prevention<sup>11</sup>

- Manages microclimate properties
- Redistributes pressure under bony prominences
- Reduces friction and shear

Cradles the patient while moving them in a stable position to preserve dignity and provide comfort



## **Evidence-based facts**

Results of implementing the HoverMatt as part of an enhanced safe patient handling and mobility program in 3 different hospitals in the US.





#### Lab study report

Force gauge evaluations validate that the HoverMatt reduces the force needed to move a patient by  $80-90\%.^{10,11}$ 



#### Pressure injury prevention lab study

Technical Studies using the latest industry recognized standards created and approved by the National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel (NPIAP) Support Surface Standards Initiative (S3I).

- Heat and Water Vapor (Body Analog Method)
- Immersion and Envelopment
- Moisture Vapor Transmission Rate (MVTR)
- Sliding Resistance (Friction and Shear)

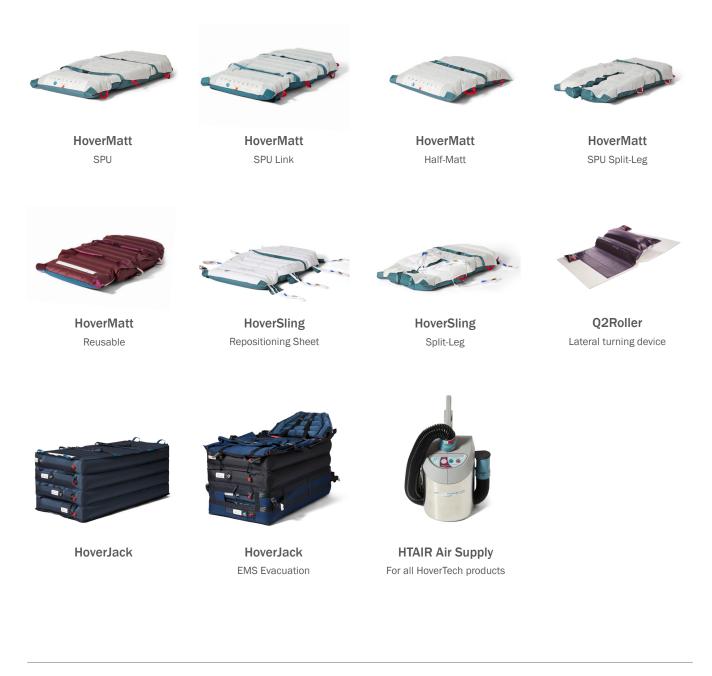


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