SAFE PATIENT HANDLING TIPS

AIRTAP

- REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF 2 STAFF TO ASSIST
- REMEMBER TO CENTER PATIENT ON AIRTAP MATTRESS
- CONNECT HOSE AND PULL TABS TO SECURE FOR EFFICIENT INFLATION
- LOCK BRAKES ON BOTH SURFACES
- PRIOR TO INFLATION, SUPPORT HEAD WITH PILLOWS, RAISE RAILS ON BED AND HOLD HANDLES TO STABILIZE
- ONCE FULLY INFLATED, BOOST PATIENT GENTLY TO REPOSITION
- FOR LATERAL TRANSFERS, GENTLY SLIDE PATIENT TO SECOND SURFACE SUPPORTING HEAD
- FOR NARROW TRANSFER SURFACES, HAVE 2 STAFF RECEIVING PATIENT
- HOLD HANDLES TO STABILIZE FOR DEFLATION