

BED PURCHASE CHECKLIST

RESIDENT BED – MUST HAVE FEATURES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Trendelenburg | Assists residents in remaining more independent by making it easier for them to pull themselves up and bed and reduces the amount of force required to reposition. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foot end brakes (clearly demonstrates on or off) | Need for clear visual for bed brakes to ensure bed is secure when providing care. Should be able to engage and disengage by foot and from any side of the bed to reduce the amount of walking around the bed. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large polyurethan freewheeling (360°) castors. | Removes resistance when moving the bed in any direction. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Locking front directional castors | Prevents bed from floating when transporting and reduces exertion to correct bed direction. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportable at any height | Supports proper ergonomics for moving beds. Beds that are required to be lowered to the floor are not safe for transportation and put staff at high risk of injury. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Range of height | Flexible range allows exacting height in performing care and repositioning. Supports proper ergonomics. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No tool required removable headboard, footboard, and side rails. | If beds are unable to fit through resident door opening, headboard, footboard and rails must be able to be removed without tools so that beds can be easily transported during an emergency. |

RESIDENT BED – RECOMMENDED FEATURES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 90° locking assist rail | Facilitates resident assistance during egress/ ingress and is cost effective alternative to permanent transfer poles. This prevents staff from “pulling” residents in and out of bed and promotes resident independence and strength. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chair feature | Reduces the amount of furniture in a room. Reduces the number of transfers, less handling of resident. Very helpful in times of labour shortages. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No tool required expandability (39” & 42”) | Can help reduce resident falls. Flexible to accommodate a wider range of large, tall, or petite residents. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Smart Stop deck height (12.5”) | Ideal median ingress/egress height for ambulatory residents getting in and out of bed on their own. Can reduce the number of falls. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retractable cord | Eliminates potential trip hazards during transportation. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bed exit alarm | Alerts staff before a resident fall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Built-in scale | Eliminates transfer to scale |