

Prone Positioning Procedure Script



- RRT & RN Pre Checklist must be completed before going past **check step**.
- Contact Droplet PPE must be worn.

- Leader: Experienced member of the team.
- Airway management: Minimum 1 RRT at the head of bed.
- Turners: 4 members, 2 on either side of the patient. Minimum 1 ICU RN.
- MRHP on unit: Will provide direction if medical interventions required. Must be aware.
- MINIMIZE PEOPLE IN ROOM (limit exposure, preserve PPE).

- RRT: Confirm the location for ETT and verbalize to the team.
- Team: Confirm all lines are positioned and unnecessary lines are removed.

Leader will call out the following process in order

- Turners: Clench the bottom sheet and the top sheet. Roll them together creating a tight roll.
- The tighter the roll, the easier the turn.

- First move will be horizontal. Patient's face must be toward ventilator.
- We will move the patient across the mattress AWAY from the ventilator.
- RRT: Is the ETT secure and are you ready for the move?

- Team are you ready.
- RRT: Please count and on the RRT count of 3 we will move the patient horizontal away from the ventilator.

COMPLETE THE HORIZONTAL MOVE

- RRT is the ETT secure?
- Team: Do you see any issues with the lines?
- Team: We will prepare for the lateral turn.

- The lateral turn is a 90 degree turn and the patient will lie on their side.
- Team: Are you ready?
- RRT: Please count and on the RRT count of 3 we will turn the patient laterally.

COMPLETE THE LATERAL MOVE

- RRT: Is ETT secure?
- Team: Are there any concerns?
- Team we will prepare to complete prone positioning.

- Turners: Adjust your hands. If your hands are on top of the patient, alternate with your partner so they are on the bottom. People whose hands are on the bottom will pull upward on the rolled up sheets, from under the patient.

- RRT: Is the ETT secure?
- Team we will turn patient onto their stomach.
- RRT: Please count and on RRT count of 3 we will turn the patient prone

COMPLETE THE PRONE POSTION

- RRT: is the ETT secure
- TEAM: Do you see any concerns?
- Thanks team.

PROCEED TO POST TURN CHECKLIST

