Patient Care Underpads

Maintaining skin integrity is a critical component in the care of the hospitalized patient today. Understanding the impact of methods to maintain skin integrity is vital toward the prevention of pressure ulcers and skin breakdown. The use of a new-technology synthetic reusable underpad is beneficial to the patient in the acute care setting because of its ability to promote skin integrity, and not just protect the bed linen.

Encompass Group, LLC offers a full line of synthetic underpads, all with the goal of providing enhanced protection for the patient. According to the company, features include:

- Stay-Dry technology to wick moisture away from the skin as quickly as possible to help prevent skin breakdown.
- A laminated construction that makes it a thin reusable underpad to reduce the amount of material between the skin and the pressure redistribution surface to further enhance skin integrity and also retains absorption characteristics.
- A top layer, or the “facing,” constructed of specifically designed 100 percent synthetic fabric so it is comfortable next to the skin and quickly wicks moisture, pulling it into the middle “soaker” layer and away from the skin.
- A “barrier” layer on the bottom of the pad, constructed of brushed polyurethane, that is 100% impermeable, protects the bed linen and keeps the pad securely in place without bunching.

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