



Description of Product

The Posey® HeadStart™ Notification Sensor Belt for Bed is designed to allow the patient to move side to side and sit up within the bed while offering a reminder to the patient to call for assistance prior to exiting the bed. Used in conjunction with a Posey alarm, this single patient use device provides the earliest possible notification that a patient is at immediate risk of exiting the bed.

The HeadStart™ Notification Sensor Belt for Bed is indicated for use on most standard hospital beds (34-40" wide) and is not intended for use on stretchers or bariatric beds.

POSEY® HEADSTART™ NOTIFICATION SENSOR BELT FOR BED



8398 Adjusts from 28-48" (71-122cm)

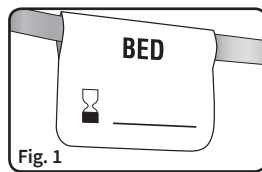
8398L Adjusts from 44-64" (112-163cm)

Precautions

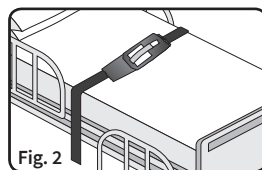
- The HeadStart™ Notification Sensor is a non-invasive way to monitor patient movement. This device DOES NOT prevent falls and is not a substitute for good nursing care and regular visual monitoring. The two head of bed siderails may be used, as per the facility's overall fall prevention program.
- The HeadStart™ Notification Sensor is designed for use with Posey alarms ONLY. Read and follow all instructions for the Posey alarm. Test with Posey alarm prior to application (see Releasing Belt & Testing Alarm)
- NEVER connect to other manufacturers' alarm units.
- Read this entire instruction sheet and save for future reference.

Application Instructions

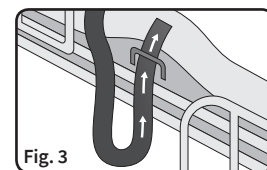
1. Record expiration date on the label attached to the Bed Sensor Belt Cord (Fig 1). The sensor is indicated for thirty (30) days of use on a single patient.



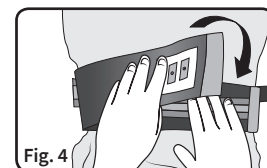
2. Center narrow straps on the bed so that they are criss-crossed with yellow handle of wide belt strap facing up (Fig. 2). Position the belt so the cord is on the same side of the bed as the Posey alarm and route cable to alarm to prevent tripping hazard and away from bed mechanism (as applicable).



3. Position the narrow straps so the "this side facing out" label is visible (Fig. 3). Attach narrow straps to the part of the bed frame that moves with the patient. Do not twist straps. Do not attach to side rail, headboard or footboard.

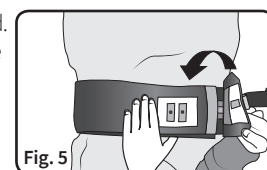


a. Secure velcro as shown in (Fig. 3). The narrow straps may be wrapped twice around attachment points to decrease the length of the strap. At least 3" of velcro should be engaged for proper securement.

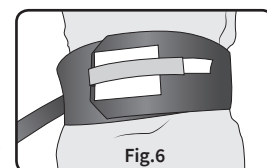


b. Check that straps are secure and will not change position, loosen, or tighten if the patient pulls on them or if the bed is adjusted. Straps should be snug on mattress/frame with no slack in the strap.

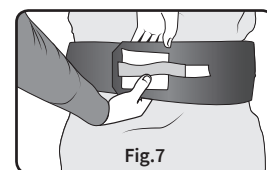
4. To open the belt, release both sets of velcro with yellow handles. Position patient in the supine position (face up) on center of the bed with the belt at waist level. Patient's garments should cover skin to avoid direct contact with device.



5. Secure belt around patient by fastening blue velcro pieces (Fig. 4). Belt should fall just above hips or at the narrowest part of the waist. Belt should be snug, but not cause any discomfort to the patient. Secure with space to slide a flat hand between the belt and the patient.



6. Slide adjustable handle to connect white velcro pieces ensuring the velcro is aligned and secured for proper operation, tuck/cover inner yellow handle (Fig. 5).

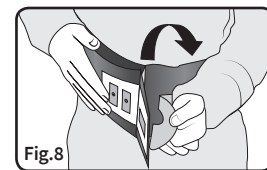


7. Connect cord to alarm at jack labeled "SENSOR." Ensure alarm is on and monitoring.

8. Use both hands to squeeze velcro firmly with fingers and thumbs (Fig. 7) (on underside of belt and top of belt) to activate alarm and ensure proper device function and prevent false alarms.

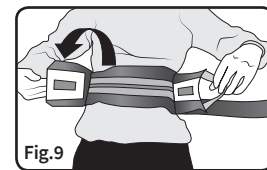
Releasing Belt & Testing Alarm:

1. Pull on first yellow handle to disconnect white velcro (Fig. 8).



2. Pull on second yellow handle to disconnect blue velcro. Release belt from patient. (Fig. 9)

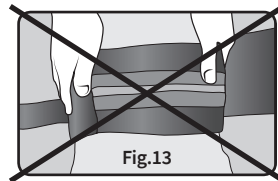
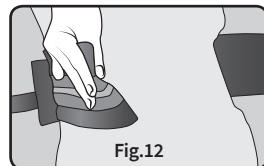
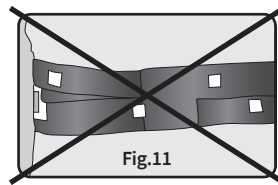
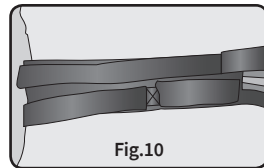
3. To resume monitoring, re-connect blue velcro set, then connect white velcro set. Squeeze velcro firmly to activate alarm and ensure proper device function.



Check that alarm is ON and that sensor belt/alarm system is working properly EACH TIME before leaving patient unattended. Pull first yellow strap to activate alarm then connect for monitoring. STOP USE AT ONCE if alarm fails to sound.

WARNING

- This product is indicated for use in a hospital bed. Refer to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) website for the most recent Hospital Bed Safety Guidelines as well as the Bed Manufacturer's Instructions for Use.
- Before leaving the patient unattended, explain the purpose for the belt. Make sure the patient understands:
 - the need to call for assistance before exiting the bed; and
 - how to self-release
- NEVER jerk or pull on cord to remove plug from alarm. Doing so may damage the cord or plug and may cause belt to fail. ALWAYS use plastic tab to release the plug.
- A clinical assessment and decision are required when used with wound or surgical site, ostomy, colostomy, G-tubes; hernias, monitoring lines, or other surgical drains/tubes .
- Not for use on patients at risk for suicide. Not for use anywhere else a clinician deems unnecessary.
- If narrow straps on the back of the belt are not properly criss-crossed upon application (Fig. 10), the patient's ability to roll may be affected. This improper application will be indicated by visibility of the small white velcro squares on the back of the belt (Fig. 11). These help align the straps for reattachment to the bed and are designed to release when the patient rolls from side to side.
- Ensure proper sizing. Excess belt may be placed flat around patient's waist or can be folded comfortably without compromising efficacy of sensor (Fig. 12).
- Wrapping excess belt completely around patient's back may hinder their ability to self-release (Fig. 13).
- Any attempt to release the product from the patient without using the indicated release handles is considered misuse and could potentially lead to patient bed exit without alarm.



Cleaning Instructions

1. Small spills may be wiped clean with a cloth dampened with mild solution of soap and water. Take extra care with sensor plug.
2. If velcro straps become wet, alarm may not sound. Excess moisture may prevent sensor from activating, increasing risk of injury. If straps become wet, discontinue use until completely dry. If necessary, use a stiff brush to remove dust and lint from hook- and-loop.
3. NEVER:
 - use any cleaner that contains Phenol;
 - immerse in liquid; or
 - sterilize with heat.
4. Dry with a clean cloth and/or air dry. Product must be completely dry before use. Do not launder. Discard if soiled following facility protocols. Single patient use.

Storage and Handling

- This device is designed for use in normal indoor environments.
- This device may be stored in ambient warehouse temperatures at normal humidity levels. Avoid excess moisture of high humidity that may damage product materials.

Disposal

This item is disposable and single patient use for up to thirty (30) days. Properly dispose of the product per facility policy for BIOHAZARDOUS material.

Limited Warranty

This product is warranted for thirty (30) days from date of first use. See Posey Catalog for Warranty details. Removing label from Bed Sensor Belt cord voids warranty.