

## Medicus Health Lateral Peg Board Positioner Background

Originally designed by orthopedic surgeons and staff, the Lateral Peg Board Hip Positioner was specifically designed to provide safe, yet rigid, patient positioning by offering superior body support.

- Patient support is obtained over more of the surgical area.
- All aspects of the product are easily cleaned with antiseptic and water.
- The pegboard design will accommodate a wide range of patient sizes.
- Pair of Safety Clamps helps to hold the board firmly against the surgery table.
- Gel Pad aids in protecting patients from excessive pressure points.

### General Usage Guidelines

- Placed the pegboard on the surgical table and secure with the two provided safety clamps- one at the head and one at the foot of the table on opposite sides. The clamps must be secured using standard table attachments (i.e. BD-RC blade clamp). (*Diagram 1*)
- The Gel Pad should be placed on top of the pegboard in a manner that the patient is sufficiently padded. A draw sheet can be placed over the Gel Pad to prevent migration while transferring the patient from the stretcher to the OR table. (*Diagram 2*)
- When feasible-Prior to anesthesia, patients should be in a supine position. (*Diagram 3*)
- After the patient is anesthetized, positioning should be performed by several personnel lifting and manipulating the patient into a lateral position. (*Diagram 4*)



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### Fixation pegs should be positioned as follows:

- E. A 6" peg(shorter) should be placed in the sacral area.
  - i. The shorter pegs are used instead of the longer pegs in order to maximize the operative area.
  - ii. A 6" peg should also be placed in front of the pubis region. Care must be taken to avoid compression of the neurovascular structures in both femoral triangles.
  - iii. An 8" long peg should be placed in the posterior thoracic region below the scapula.
  - iv. An 8" long peg should be placed directly below the pectoral muscle. Please be careful when placing this peg to allow adequate ventilation.



**Note:** The number of pegs may increase with larger patients.

### Cleaning

The board and pegs can be cleaned with antiseptic and water. All prepping agents and body fluids should be removed before reusing.



**The board is not a transport or transfer device.**

