The best care demands exceptional support

Create prone, side-lying, and supine positionings to promote infant well-being and stress-reduction

**Properly prone**

Prone positioning can reduce lateral skull flattening and skin breakdown during extended hospital stays. It also encourages flexor tone, active neck extension, and head-raisning.

Select Prone Plus, SnuggleUp, and a Bendy Bumper in the correct size. Place Prone Plus into the SnuggleUp (Prone Plus should be no wider than infant’s nipple-to-nipple and no lower than navel).

Hold and slowly rotate infant to prone, midline position with Prone Plus, so that the hands are toward the mouth for self-soothing. Six sure hips are rounded and feet are placed in the SnuggleUp.

Adjust straps to provide containment, while also allowing for dynamic movement at the hips first, then shoulders.

Move slowly (following infant’s cues) and round the Bendy Bumper to rest against the infant’s head to comfort and contain. Bendy Bumper continues around the back and outside of the SnuggleUp.

If the infant arches his or her head and neck, Frederick T. Frog’s beads can be positioned to apply more pressure and containment. (“Freddy” is designed for weighted support; do not place full weight on infant.)

Keep the infant’s hands at the face for self-comforting. Add a Bendy Bumper to provide the boundary needed – and to encourage flexion and natural resistance.

**Softly supine**

An infant may be placed in supine position for treatment – or as “training” to all-important back-to-sleep positioning before heading home.

Using hand containment, hold the infant in midsline flexion.

Flex the infant’s legs and hips deep into the pocket of the SnuggleUp, keeping feet, legs, and hips aligned. Continue to use hand containment, following the infant’s cues.

Adjust straps to provide containment, while also allowing for dynamic movement at the hips first, then the shoulders.

Keep the infant’s hands at the face for self-comforting. Add a Bendy Bumper to provide the boundary needed – and to encourage flexion and natural resistance.

Frederick T. Frog can augment the Bendy Bumper for support – or work alone as a boundary to the infant’s head. Moving the adjustable beads creates the appropriate boundary height.

**Side-lying support**

The challenge of the side-lying position is proper alignment. Shoulders are rounded with hands near face. Hips are aligned and softly flexed. Feet are lightly braced.

Maintain a fixed position using hand containment. Place the infant on her or his side, providing support to the head while aligning shoulder and hip. This alignment is key.

Flex the infant’s legs and hips deep into the pocket of the SnuggleUp, keeping feet, legs, and hips well aligned. (The SnuggleUp mimics the uterine wall.)

Adjust straps to provide containment, while also allowing for dynamic movement at the hips first, then the shoulders. Follow the infant’s cues.

Add Bendy Bumper – match boundary height to the infant.

A Bendy Bumper coupled with Frederick T. Frog adjustable beads offers stability and containment. (Do not place full weight of ‘Freddy’ on infant.)

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