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መእሰሪ ሓንዝ ክሳድ/ሰርቪካል ኮላር

ዉሑስ ክንክን ኣብ ንዛ

እዛ መጽሓፍ መእሰሪ ሓገዝ ከሳድ ብኸመይ ከም እት ሽደንን እትፀርን ትገልጽ።

መእሰሪ ሓንዝ ክሳድ /ሰርቪካል ኮላር እንታይ እዩ?

ሰርቪካል ኮላር መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ እዉን ይብሃል እዩ። ርእስኻን ክሳድካን ቸጥ ኣቢሉ ዝሕዝ ፕላስቲካዊ መሳርሒ እዩ። ዝበዝሑ ጊዜያት መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ ድሕሪ ዓቢ መጥባሕቲ ወይ ብርቱሪ መጉዳእቲ ንአብነት ከም መስበርቲ ክሳድ ምስ ኢጋጠመ ዝግበር እዩ፡፡

መእሰሪ ደንፍ ክሳድ ስለምንታይ የድልየኒ?

ዶክተርካ ኣብ እዋን ምሕዋይካ ትኽደኖ መእሰሪ ደንፍ ከሳድ ኣዚዝልካ ኣሎ። እዚ መእሰሪ ደንፍ ከሳድ ከሳድካ ኣብ ዝሓዉየሉ ግዜ ኣብ ግቡእ ቦታ ንምትሓዝ ክሕግዝ እዩ።

ነቲ መ መእሰሪ ክሳድ መዓስ ይኽደኖ?

ነቲ መእሰሪ ክዳድ ኩሉ ግዜ፣ ዋላ'ዉን ሻወር ወይ ማይ ኣብ እትሕጸበሉ ግዜ ተኸደኖ። ዝተረፌ ኣካላትካ ድሕሪ ምሕጻብካ፣ ነቲ መእሰሪ ክሳድ ንኸተዉጽኦ፣ ክሳድካ ንኸትሕጸብ፣ ከምኡዉን ነቶም ጉዝጓዝ ንኸትኞይር ሓጋዚ ከድልየካ እዩ።



ናይ ክንክን ጉጅለሻ ነቲ መእስሪ ክሳድ *ኣብ ግ*ቡሕ ቦታ ብሽመይ ከም *እተ*ሕትዎ ከርእዩሻ *እ*ዮም።

*ትሕቲ እቲ መእሰሪ ክሳድ ዘሎ ከመይ ገይረ የጽር*ዪ?

ዶክተርካ ኮፍ ክትብል ጸ*ገ*ም የብሉን ክሳብ ዘይበለካ ነቲ *መ*እሰሪ ክሳድ ንምዉጻእ ብሕቖኻ በጥ ክትብል አለካ።

እንታይ ክትንብር ኣለካ

- ኣብ ዓራት በጥ በል። መተርኣስ **ኣይትጠኞም**።
- ርእስኻ ናብ ሓደ ወንን ከየዘምበልካ ተኽ ኣብ ዝብል ኣኞዋም ሕዞ። ከሳድካ ንኞድሚት፣ ንድሕሪት፣ ወይ ንንኒ **አይትጥወዮ**።

ሓے ዚኻ እንታይ ክንብር ኣለዎ

• ነቲ ናይ ቬልክሮ/ዝጣበኞ መእሰሪ ይፍታሕ፤ ከምኡዉን ናይ ኞድሚት ክፋል ናይቲ መእሰሪ ክሳድ የውፅእ ፡፡



*ዓሕረዋይ ከፋል ናይቲ ኳሌታ ኣብ እተልግሶን እትትከአን ናይቲ ሕ*ምም *ከሳድ ከይተቸሳቅስ ተጠንኞች።*

- ሓደስቲ መጎዝጎዚታት ብግቡእ ንኸእቱ እቶም መጎዝጎዚታት ከመይ ተቐሚጦም ከም ዘለዉ ተጠንቒቝ ይርአ። ቐጺሉ ድማ ነቶም ዝረስሑ መጎዝጎዚታት የውፅእ።
- እቶም መንዝንዚታት ምስቲ ዝጣበኞ መእሰሪ/ቬልክሮ ይተሓሓዙ። ነቶም ጽሩያት መንዝንዚታት ኣብ እተእትወሉ እዋን እቶም መንዝንዚታት ናይቲ ሕሙም ኞርበት ምስቲ ፕላስቲክ ካብ ምፍሕፋሕ ንምክልኻል እዚአም መንዝንዚታት ክሳብ ጫፍ ናይቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ ከም እተዘርገሐ ኣረጋግጽ።
- ካብ ትሕቲ ናይቲ ሕሙም ክሳድ ብዋንቓቐ ብምዉጻእ ነቲ ዳሕራዋይ ክፋል ኣዉጽእዮ። እ**ዚ ኣብ እትገብረሱ እዋን ናይቲ ሕሙም ክሳድ ንኸይተቐንሳቐሶ ተጠንቐቐ**።
- ነቶም ኣብ ዳሕረዋይ ክፋል ዘለዉ ዝረስሑ መንዝንዚታት ብጹሩያት ቐይሮም። ነዚኦም ከም ኣባዳስነቶም ቐይሮም።
- ናይቲ ሕምም ከሳድ ብሳምናን ማይን ቐስ ኢልካ ሕጸቦ። ነቲ ኞርበት ምሉእ ኣንቐጾ።
- ኣብ ትሕቲ እቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ ዝኾነ ዝቐይሐ ወይ ዝተቖተዐ ነገር ተመልከት። ኣብ ልዕሊ ኣዕጽምቲ ዘለዎም ከባቢታት ከም መንከስን ኣዕጽምቲ ክሳድን ብጥንቓቐ ተመልከት፡፡

*ነቲ መ*እሰሪ ደ*ገ*ፍ ክሳድ መሊስካ ንኽታ**ኞ**ምጦ፦

- ብኸሊቲኡ ወገን ኣብ ኞድሚትን ድሕሪትን ከፋላት ዘለዉ ምልክታት ናብቲ ናይ ሕሙም ርእሲ ንላዕሊ ኣንፌት ንኸመልክቱ ነቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ ጥወዮ።
- **መጀመርታ ነቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ ብድሕሪቱ አኞምጥ፦** ነዚ ዳሕረዋይ ክፋል መእሰሪ ክሳድ ተጠንቒቐካ ኣብ ትሕቲ ናይቲ ሕሙም ክሳድ ኣንሸራትቶ ። ብማዕረ ኣብ ማእኸል ዝዓረፈ ምዃኑ ኣረ*ጋ*ዋጽ።
- ነቲ ናይ ኞድሚት ክፋል ንምእታዉ ኣብ ትሕቲ ናይቲ ሕሙም መንከስ የእትዎ፤ ከምኡዉን ነቶም ነንታት ኞሩብ ናብ ኣእዛን ገጽካ ይድፋኣዮ።



ምልክታት ንሳዕሊ ናብቲ ሕሙም ርሕሲ ከመልከቱ ኣለዎም።



እቲ ናይ ቅድሚት ከፋል ኣብ ትሕቲ ናይቲ ሕመም መንከስ የ*እትዎ።*

 ኣብቲ መእሰሪ ከሳድ ንድሕሪት ከይደፋእካ ነቶም ንንታት ኣብ ከባቢ ናይቲ ሕሙም ክሳድ ጥወዮም።



*ጎንታት ናይቲ መ*እሰሪ ከሳድ *ኣብ ከባቢ ናይቲ* ሕመም ከሳድ ተወየም።

• ንጽፉፍ ምግጣም ነቶም ዝጣበኞ መእሰሪታት ቬልክሮ እሰሮም። ኣብ መንን ኞድሚትን ድሕሪትን ክፋል ናይቲ መእሰሪ ከሳድ ኣብ ክልቲኡ ክፋል በተን ዝጣበቓ መእሰሪታት ቬልክሮ ዝተሓሓዝ ዝኾነ ክፉት ቦታከም ዘየለ ኣረጋግጽ።



ንጽፋፍ ምባጣም ነቶም መሕሰሪታት ሕሰርም።

እቲ *መ*እሰሪ ደንፍ ክሳድ ኣብ ቦትኡ ድሕሪ ምእታዉ፦

- ኣብ ላዕለዋይ ንኒ ናይቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ከሳድ ነቲ ዝጣበኞ መእሰሪ/ቬልክሮ ፍትሓዮ። ዳሕራዋይ ከፋል ንታሕቲ ዕጻፎ። ናይቲ ሕሙም ድሕሪት ርእሱ ንዝኾነ ምቐያሕ ወይ ቑጠዐ ፊትሾ።
- ነቲ ዳሕረዋይ ክፋል መእሰሪ ክሳድ ቐይሮ። ጽቡቐ ንይርካ እሰሮ።

ናይቲ ሕመም ድሕሪት ርእሱ ንምችያሕ ወይ ቑጠ0 ፈትሾ።



እቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ከሳድ ብልክ*ዕ ተገ*ይሩ ከም ዘሎ ብሽመይ ይፈልጥ?

• ኣብ መንጎ ታሕተዋይ ክፋል ናይቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድን ላዕለዋይ ኣፍልብኻን **1 ኣጻብዕቲ** ጥራይ ከተእቱ ትኸእል። መንከስካ ናብቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ ክተእቱ፣ ርእስኻ ካብ ሓደ ጎኒ ናብቲ ሓደ ክትጠዊ፣ ወይ ከሳድካ ንላዕልን ታሕትን ክትጠዊ የብልካን። ነዚ ክትንብር እንድሕር ክኢልካ እቲ መእሰሪ ደገፍ ከሳድ ብፅቡኞ ኣይተቐመጠን።

ነቶም መነዝነዚታት ደጊመ ከጥቐመሎም ይኽእል ድየ?

ነቶም መከላኸሊ መጎዝነዚታት ድሕሪ ምሕጻብካ ደጊምካ ከትጥቐመሎም ትኽእል ኢኻ። ነዚ ንምባባር፦

- ነቶም ዝረስሑ መንዝንዚታት ብሳምናን ማይን ሕጸቦም።
- ኩሉ እቲ ሳምና ለቐልቖ።
- ዝተረፈ ጣይ ጽሞኞ። ቸጺልካ ነቶም መንዝንዚታት ብሽንማነ ጠቐሊልካ ክሳብ ዝከኣለካ ጣይ ከተዉጽእ ጽሞኞም። ቸጺልካ ነቶም መንዝንዚታት ንኽነቐጹ በጥ ኣብሎም።

ዶክተርካ *ማ*ዓስ ከም እትድዉለሉ።

ነዚ ዝስዕብ ምስ ዝህልወካ ንዶክተርካ ደዉል፦

- ኣብ ትሕቲ እቲ መሰሪ ደገፍ ክሳድ ቹስልታት ወይ ምፍሕፋሕ ምስ ዝህሎ
- ሓድሽ ወይ ዝንድድ ዘይምቹእነት ወይ ቃንዛ
- ሓድሽ ወይ ዝንድድ ድኻም
- ሓድሽ ወይ ዝንድድ ምድንዛዝ

ንመን ከም እትድዉል

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Your Cervical Collar

Self-care at home

This handout explains how to wear and clean a cervical collar.

What is a cervical collar?

A *cervical collar* is also called a neck brace. It is a plastic device that holds your head and neck very still. Most times, a cervical collar is worn after major surgery or a serious injury, such as a broken neck.

Why do I need a cervical collar?

Your doctor has prescribed a cervical collar for you to wear during your recovery. The collar will help to keep your neck in the right position while it is healing.

When do I wear the collar?

Wear the collar at all times, even when you shower or bathe. After you wash the rest of your body, you will need a helper to take the collar off, wash your neck, and change the pads.



Your care team will show you how to place the collar in the right position.

How do I clean under the collar?

You must lie flat on your back to remove the collar unless your doctor says it is OK to be sitting.

What You Need to Do

- Lie flat in bed. Do **not** use a pillow.
- Keep your head in a neutral position. Do **not** bend your neck forward, backwards, or sideways.

What Your Helper Needs to Do

- Undo the Velcro straps and take off the front piece of the collar.
- Look carefully at how the pads are placed so that you insert the new pads correctly. Then take out the dirty pads.



Be careful not to move the patient's neck when removing and replacing the back piece of the collar.

- The pads attach with Velcro. When you insert clean pads, make sure the pads extend over the edge of the plastic collar to protect the patient's skin from rubbing against the plastic.
- Take off the back piece by carefully sliding it out from under the
 patient's neck. Be careful not to move the patient's neck while
 doing this.
- Replace the soiled pads on the back piece with clean ones. Change these as needed.
- Gently wash the patient's neck with soap and water. Fully dry the skin.
- Look for any redness or irritation under the collar. Look carefully over bony areas like the chin and collarbones.

To put the collar back on:

- Turn the collar so that the arrows on both the front and back pieces of the collar are pointing up toward the patient's head.
- Place the back of the collar first. Slide the back piece carefully under the patient's neck. Make sure it is centered evenly.
- To place the front piece, tuck it under the patient's chin and aim the sides slightly up toward the ears.



Arrows should point up toward the patient's head.



Tuck the front piece under the patient's chin.

 Without pushing backward on the collar, curl the sides around the side of the patient's neck.



Curl the sides of the collar around the patient's neck.

 Fasten the Velcro straps for a snug fit. Make sure there is no space between the front and back pieces of the collar where it connects at the sides with the Velcro straps.



Fasten the straps for a snug fit.

After the collar is in place:

- Have the patient carefully roll on their side. Put a small pillow or folded towel under their cheek so their head doesn't tilt sideways.
- Undo the Velcro strap on the upward side of the collar. Fold the back piece down. Check the back of the patient's head for any redness or irritation.
- Replace the back piece. Fasten it snugly.



Check the back of the patient's head for redness or irritation.

How do I know if the collar is on right?

- You should be able to insert **only 1 finger** between the bottom of the collar and your upper chest.
- You should **not** be able to tuck your chin into the collar, turn your head from side to side, or tilt your head up or down in the collar. If you can do that, the collar is not tight enough.

Can I reuse the pads?

You can reuse the pads after you have washed them. To do this:

- Wash the soiled pads with mild soap and water.
- Rinse all of the soap out.
- Wring out the excess water. Then wrap a towel around the pads and squeeze to remove as much water as you can. Then lay the pads flat to dry.

When to Call Your Doctor

Call your doctor if you have:

- Any soreness or irritation under the collar
- New or worse discomfort or pain
- · New or worse weakness
- New or worse numbness

Who to Call

For questions and non-urgent concerns:

- Weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.:
 - Call the Spine and Neurosurgery Clinic at 206.744.9340. Press 2 to talk with a nurse.
 - Call the Orthopedic Clinic at 206.744.3462. Press 2 to talk with a nurse.
- After hours and on holidays and weekends, call the Community Care line at 206.744.2500.

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Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or healthcare provider if you have questions or concerns.

Weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.:

- Call the Harborview
 Orthopedic Clinic at
 206.744.3462. Press 2 when
 you hear the recording.
- Call the Orthopedic Clinic at 206.744.3462. Press 2 to talk with a nurse.

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