**Policy for Positioning/Transferring Devices**

House Policy for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ AFH

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Before any medical positioning/transferring device, such as side rails, transfer pole, hoyer lift, etc are employed for any Resident’s care, the following steps are to be taken:

* There will be an individual assessment for need, ability, risks and benefits of the device.
* Both family (if applicable) and the resident will be informed of the risks and benefits of the device and sign this form to indicate their understanding and agreement.
* Notes regarding use of the device will be added to the negotiated care plan documenting the resident’s safe use of the device and any caregiver instructions.
* Resident will be reassessed on an ongoing basis to determine the continued safe use of the device and the care plan will be updated as needed.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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