



Fall Safe Hip Protectors

Description

Hip protectors all share a common basic concept—a pair of pads held in position over the widest part of the hips by a specially designed undergarment. While various undergarments have been designed for a variety of preferences, it is the design and composition of the protective pads that play the major role in determining which hip protector is likely to be most effective and most accepted.

Features and Benefits

Solving the Hip Fracture Crisis

Falls are common in long-term care facilities, with devastating and costly consequences. Yet despite widespread use of fall prevention programs, falls continue to occur at an alarming rate and incidence of hip fractures remains high – placing both residents and facilities at risk.

- HIP's Fall-Safe protectors are easily removed or inserted in a few seconds
- Only necessary for the user to own 1 pair of protectors with 4 pairs of underpants.
- This makes the package much more economic than if a pair of pads is sewn into each pair of underpants.
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S: Hips 33-36" – Waist 28-31"
M: Hips 36-40" – Waist 31-35"
L: Hips 40-44" – Waist 35-39"
XL: Hips 44-48" – Waist 39-42"
XXL: Hips 48-52" – Waist 43-47"
XXXL: Hips 52-55" – Waist 47-50"

Profile

- Less than 18mm (3/4 inch) thin, Fall-Safe Hip Protectors are sculpted with beveled edges and contoured to be almost unnoticeable under clothing.

The Impact of Hip Fractures

- 300,000 people suffer a life changing hip fracture every year in the US
- 20% of hip fracture patients die within one year
- Hip fractures represent 40-60% of fall-related injuries in nursing homes
- The average number of falls per bed per year is 1.5, and ranges up to 3.6
- Average cost for inpatient hip fracture care is \$29,000 – overall cost can rise to \$400,000



Flexibility

- The unique D30 material makes the pads soft and pliable.
- Unlike most pads, they are comfortable enough to wear even in bed without disturbing sleep.
- This is particularly important given that many falls occur at night when getting out of bed, often when lighting is poor and when, in care facilities, staff levels tend to be lowest.

Shape

- Guided by professional understanding of the clinical requirements, these soft, custom-designed pads are carefully engineered to conform perfectly to the underlying anatomy, unlike the flat (and larger) discs of many other hip protector pads.
- The concave shape is designed to produce minimal pressure contact over the widest portion of the hips (greater femoral trochanter).

Breathability

- Fall-Safe Hip Protector pads uniquely feature both grooves and "breathing" holes to allow heat and moisture to escape.