



SEATING & POSITIONING

WE'VE GOT SEATING COVERED

WELCOME...

to Invacare's dedicated Think Clinical Seating (TCS) newsletter. In this edition we outline some very positive updates to our Seating & Positioning ranges together with an overview of our activity in the field of clinical education.



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Invacare hosted two hugely successful educational events this June to help upskill healthcare professionals.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Free educational resources

How to select a Matrix back

Offchair seating options

Bodypoint new MD series

2019 TCS Series

Vicair O2 range expanded

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New MD Series

Bodypoint have superseded front and rear pull PivotFit, StayFlex and Trimline harnesses in favour of their new multi-directional (MD) series. The revolutionary design now allows clinicians to set up and change the pull styles easily and on the spot to suit individual needs rather than choosing a style in advance. The innovative transformation which simply involves reversing the direction of the strap, also means services can simplify stock inventory.



New ordering codes apply. Please contact your local Territory Manager for details and to review any consignment stock.



CLAIM YOUR FREE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES!



CLINICAL SEATING & POSITIONING A2 POSTER
Order code: **155570**



MATRIX LIBRA A4 CLINICAL GUIDE
Order code: **1630705**



SKIN PROTECTION & POSITIONING A2 POSTER
Order code: **1629828**

How to select a Matrx back

Elite or Posture back (PB)?

The Matrx Elite is often most suitable for individuals using self-propel wheelchairs as the scapular cut outs offers the clearance to propel more effectively. The Matrx Posture back (PB) provides midline support and positioning for individuals often in more passive wheelchairs and offer no scapular cut outs. Choose from standard or deep for the required trunk support.

Ordering to fit the person

Whether you choose an Elite or PB back, the principle is the same. Measure the individual across the chest in inches and add 4" - this is the width backrest you will need to order. The length you choose depends on the level of support you feel your client needs from low to upper thoracic, as a result of your hands-on assessment. You will receive sacral support in the box which can fill in any non-contact areas.

The popular 'Easy Set' hardware is often nicknamed "sea horses" because of their similar shape. This hardware is quick-release, which is useful for removing the backrest for storage and transportation. Other hardware is available including Fixed and Split for folding wheelchairs.

Example:

Mr Bloggs has a chest width of 13", therefore we would order him a 17" back. His wheelchair is 18" therefore we can use the longer mounting pins provided in the box which will allow us to fit his backrest to his wheelchair.



You will be surprised how easy our Matrx backs are to install and adjust!

Attaching to the chair

After you have selected the correct back size to fit your client, check what size wheelchair you need it to attach to. Each Matrx back comes with a set of standard mounting pins which allow you to fit the same size chair as the backrest or 1" smaller. You simply screw the mounting pins in or out for the required length. You will also get a pair of longer mounting pins included in the box which allow you to fit chairs 1" wider.

Alternatively, you can chose to order the Extended Mounting Pins which allow you to fit chairs up to 2" wider than the back.



Complete Seating Solutions

Combine your Matrx back with a wide range of contoured seat cushions. Invacare's Matrx Seating Series provides you with a complete seating solution which is highly effective in meeting the widest range of individual needs.

Off-chair seating options

For customised support

matrix[®]
SEATING SERIES

ELAN HEADREST

The 2nd generation model offers improved adjustment points for smoother tuning and ease of use.

6 points of adjustment on the hardware with two 360° pivot joints for superb positioning capabilities.

Hardware can be offset to support individuals whose posture is not midline.

3 pad designs including 2 sizes of the most popular 4 point headpad which shapes perfectly around the ears and does not interfere with spectacles.

Standard 12mm tube allows retrofitting to most backrests, plus adapters available for Flex 3 and Modulite-back systems.

Assessment kits also available - ask your local Territory Manager for details.



VICAIR®FLEX BACK

Vicair Flex Back was specifically designed to fit Invacare's Rea Azalea Flex 3 & Modulite back shells.

Featuring 13 SmartCell-filled compartments with built-in lateral support to protect the individual's skin integrity, the back cushion can also be customised to offload prominent areas of the spine or shoulders.

Easily secures to the back board with the hook and loop provided.

With 3 standard sizes available and a further 27 non-standard sizes, the Vicair Flex Back, really is, a good fit.

Ask us about other Vicair backs available

VICAIR®O2

Machine washable air cushion
- no need to remove the SmartCells before washing!

'O2 Top Cover' options available (except Active O2 and Pommel O2) which further aids airflow, increasing breathability and reducing moisture build up.

145 standard sizes available on selected models.

8 models now available within the Vicair O2 range!

Turn over for a quick overview of each Vicair O2 model

UPDATED VICAIR
BROCHURE

Order code:
1628860



Excellent feedback at 2019 TCS Series!

Invacare hosted two dedicated Think Clinical Seating (TCS) events in June which attracted clinicians nationwide, thanks to a number of key speakers including Sharon Sutherland-Pratt, Ezequiel Silva and Carlos Kramer.



Delegates, having attended the intermediate seminars, were able to challenge their understanding of seating and mobility goals relating to seat and back support, and how the necessary steps for postural analysis in hands-on evaluations relates to skin integrity.

These exclusive events offered networking opportunities with seating and positioning peers, whilst engaging in a collaborative exhibition featuring a variety of seating systems.

Products covered at the exhibition:

- The entire Vicair O2 cushion range including the very newest additions
- Vicair back cushions - all models
- MatrX Elite and PB backrests
- MatrX MX2 carbon fibre backrest
- MatrX Elan highly adjustable headrest
- MatrX Mini Series
- MatrX Libra wheelchair cushion

Ask your Seating Territory Manager about additional product training

What people said:

"Very comprehensive"

"Covered more than I expected"

"Good variety of topics covered and implications to practice"

"Very good use of case studies"

"Excellent informative day"

"The day surpassed my expectations and was incredibly informative"

"It was a fantastic day - excellent speakers with such a wealth of knowledge"

"Inspiring"



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Vicair O2 range expanded

VICAIR

Since adding the Active O2 and Adjuster O2 to Vicair O2 range in 2018, the initiative to supersede all original Vicair seat cushions to O2 models by 2020 has been well-received by clinicians up and down the country.

Current cushions now available in the Vicair O2 range:

ACTIVE O2

This highly-acclaimed foam-air combination provides individuals with a secure platform for transfers whilst protecting the most vulnerable bony prominences.



The most popular model within Vicair's range. The 5 compartments expertly accommodate pelvic obliquities and help prevent sliding in the seat.

ADJUSTER O2



VECTOR O2

Featuring 9 compartments, the design provides great channelling for the legs and offers the most stability within the Vicair cushion range.



Inspired by Vicair CEO's passion for sailing, this unique harness stays with the individual whilst engaging in a range of activities including sports.

ALLROUNDER O2



NEW! POMMEL O2

Quattro design with a removable pommel which is ideal for individuals who use urine bottles. Now available in revolutionary Vicair O2 version for optimum hygiene.



This relatively flat cushion can be used in both wheelchairs and static seating. It features a front and rear compartment to help prevent sliding in the seat.

NEW! TWIN O2



NEW! ADJUSTER 12 O2

Based on the Adjuster O2, this model offers 12cm height for those requiring increased immersion. Can accommodate pelvic obliquities.



NEW! XXTRA O2

Based on the Adjuster O2 design, the Vicair XXtra is available in bariatric sizes and is fitted with larger SmartCells with an impressive weight limit of 500kg!



Seating courses



The course is designed for those wanting to gain a basic understanding or refresh their knowledge of the general principles for Seating and Positioning and obtain an overview of Invacare's Seating & Positioning range. Delegates will also have an opportunity for a guided factory tour.

Next date:
19 November 2019

Book now to avoid disappointment - call our team on 01656 776283

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