

ASSISTED HYGIENE AND WELLNESS SOLUTIONS

### Person-centred showering



## Efficient, safe, and dignified showering

Time consuming hygiene routines in medical facilities can be uncomfortable, unsafe, and unpleasant for residents and caregivers.

The assisted showering routine can contribute to the resident feeling exposed.

#### Selecting person-centred showering equipment can help:

- Optimise time efficiency
- Reduce risk of resident and cargeiver injury
- Promote a calm, dignified environment while supporting independence to wash

22%

of total working hours are spent on hygiene routines<sup>1</sup>

It can be

35%

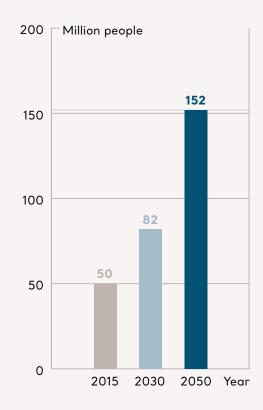
more efficient to use a height-adjustable chair or shower trolley compared to washing in bed<sup>1</sup>



# Risks during hygiene routines

Various risks for patients, residents, caregivers and facilities can be avoided with the right hygiene equipment tailored to mobility needs of those in care, including people living with dementia and other cognitive impairments.

#### The worldwide prevalence of dementia is estimated to triple by 2050<sup>2</sup>



 $Adapted from World \, Health \, Organization. \, In fographic \, on \, dementia, 2017.$ 

#### **Resident risks**

- Slipping or falling in the bathroom and bathtub
- Scalding
- Lack of access to suitable bathing facilities
- Cross-contamination
- Feeling cold and exposed during and after shower
- Dignity concerns
- Emotional triggers and irregularities for residents living with dementia and other cognitive impairments

#### Caregiver risks

- Static overload and physical strain<sup>1</sup>
- Back and shoulder pain<sup>3</sup>
- Inadequate space for the hygiene process (e.g dressing, undressing, washing, drying, etc.) forcing the caregvier to adopt awkward positions
- Not enough time and a perception that washing in bed is quicker and easier
- Lack of clear hygiene processes and protocols

#### **Facility risks**

- Inefficiency
- Lack of equipment and resources
- Compliance failure
- Poor user ratings

# Choosing the right equipment for person-centred showering

Access to homelike and comfortable showering routines that are safe for all is key to enhance the experience and quality of hygiene processes for residents and caregivers.

#### Person-centred showering should consider:

- Personal preferences
- The physical environment
- Mobility levels
- Number of caregivers and transfers required
- Cognitive and emotional state

#### Shower systems for efficient and dignified care







#### **Carendo**®



The Carendo multipurpose hygiene chair facilitates an efficient hygiene and showering routine within a single transfer while allowing a comfortable working posture for the caregiver throughout the process.

#### Carevo®

Designed to enhance resident comfort while facilitating ergonomic working postures for the caregiver, Carevo offers an efficient solution to perform daily hygiene tasks for those who need to remain in a lying position.

#### **Enables better working postures**

Carendo has been shown to result in caregivers adopting 77% neutral back positions during hygiene tasks, compared to just 48% when washing a person in the bed.<sup>1</sup>

#### Dignified care

Care Raiser™ function raises the patient or residents' lower body to to enable discreet hygiene tasks and maintain patient and resident dignity.

#### Streamlines the hygiene routine

In one transfer, a single caregiver can perform the full hygiene routine including: dressing and undressing, toileting, showering and other hygiene tasks.

#### Facilitates ergonomic working posture

The patented Ergo-Access areas enables the caregiver to get closer to the resident and hence further reduce caregiver static load while showering patients.

#### **Encourages resident participation**

Easy-to-grip comfort handles provide support, enhance the residents' sense of security, and promote participation and mobility.

#### Streamlines the hygiene routine

Carevo enables transfer from the bed directly to the showering area and back again.

#### **Enhances patient comfort**

The patented Flexi Zone is designed to significantly improve comfort compared to the standard shower trolley by contouring to patient and residents' bodies.<sup>5</sup>

#### A guide to a dementia-inclusive environment



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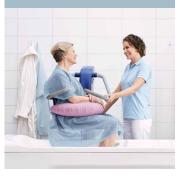
# Shower systems





**Hygiene lifts** 









Person-centred showering: Support body and mind through dignified, efficient, and safe hygiene experiences.

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