

# Information for Clinical Choice

## Patient Temperature Management Forced Air Warming

### Support Document

#### Introduction

Information for Clinical Choice (ICC) has been developed to assist Clinicians in the decision-making process when assessing the suitability of a product by providing a clear illustration and description of the features of a range of similar products supplied through NHS Supply Chain.

The criteria provided, in the form of a Product Matrix and Support Document, is the result of a product review, conducted by the Patient Temperature Management Category Management Team with support from clinical stakeholders from across the NHS as part of our assurance process.

The aim, alongside delivering savings back into NHS frontline services, is to ensure that clinical choice remains at the forefront of any product switching decision.

#### Forced Air Warming Procedure Specific Blanket (Single Use)






Forced Air Warming (FAW) Blanket is designed to prevent hypothermia and keep patients at a normal core body temperature for use before, during and after surgical procedures. Blankets are used in conjunction with a FAW blower which is specific to each supplier.

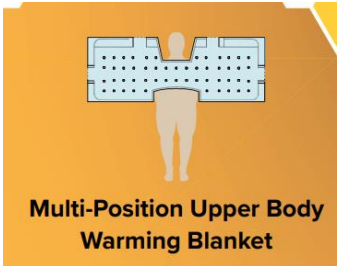
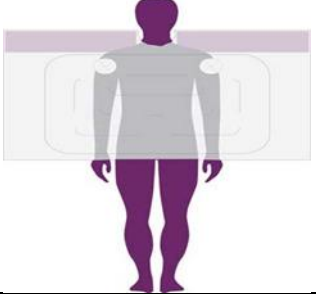

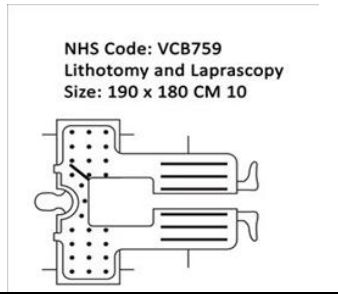

FAW systems deliver controlled warm air through a connecting hose into a quiltlike blanket that have small holes on one surface and warm air escaping through these holes provides conductive and convective warming to the patient, they are single patient use. Poncho Blanket allows for warming of the patient from above and below via a unique "Poncho" design. Spinal Blanket work with the open frame of the spinal surgery cradle. Lithotomy Blanket offers unrestricted access for procedures involving the lower extremities, and abdominal, peritoneal, and pelvic cavities. Multi-position Blanket can be moved to cover different areas of the upper body. Torso Blanket used for patients in the supine, lateral and other positions.

This ICC is one of a number that will look at different warming blankets to enable clinicians to make an informed decision when choosing products

Further information and guidance

<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg65/chapter/recommendations>

| Patient Temperature Management FAW Blanket Procedure Specific |  |  |   |   |   |
|---|--|--|---|---|---|
| Supplier  | 3M UNITED KINGDOM PLC  | 3M UNITED KINGDOM PLC  | 3M UNITED KINGDOM PLC   | 3M UNITED KINGDOM PLC   | SMITHS MEDICAL INTERNATIONAL LTD (ICU)  |
| Brand   | 3M Bair Hugger   | 3M Bair Hugger   | 3M Bair Hugger  | 3M Bair Hugger  | Smiths Snuggle Warm   |
| MPC   | 62200  | 57501  | 58501   | 54200   | SWU-2119  |
| NPC   | VCB754   | VCB154   | VCB092  | VCB069  | VCB549  |
| Description   | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Multi-position upper body warming blanket | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Adult spinal underbody      | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Lithotomy                    | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Torso dual port - arms in    | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Poncho blanket with arm openings |
| Image   |                 |  |  |  |      |
| Route   | Stocked  | Stocked  | Stocked   | Stocked   | Stocked   |
| UOI   | Box 10   | Box 5  | Box 10  | Box 10  | Box 10  |
| Latex free  | Yes  | Yes  | Yes   | Yes   | Yes   |
| Country of manufacture  | Germany  | Germany  | Germany   | Germany   | Mexico  |

| Patient Temperature Management FAW Blanket Procedure Specific |   |   |   |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| Supplier  | GBUK HEALTHCARE   | CENTRAL MEDICAL SUPPLIES LTD (CMS)  | HEALTHCARE 21 UK LTD  | AQUILANT LTD BD BAS CRITICAL   | AQUILANT LTD BD BAS CRITICAL   |
| Brand   | GBUK  | TSC-MA2270  | Celsius   | Cocoon   | Cocoon   |
| MPC   | IOB-030   | TSC-MA2270  | CNULI1  | CLM0125  | CLM0133  |
| NPC   | VCB860  | VCB533  | VCB725  | VCB759   | VCB768   |
| Description   | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Multi-position upper body<br>198cm x 64cm  | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Torso plus, multiposition<br>blanket 76x124cm  | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Urology Lithotomy 103x175  | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Lithotomy and Laprascopy<br>2 ports 190 x 180 CM  | Blanket patient warming for use with hot air blower<br>Underbody Spinal Blanket<br>83x184 cm Hose port 1   |
| Image   |  A diagram showing a person's upper body with a warming blanket covering the chest and arms. The blanket has a grid of small squares. Below the diagram is the text "Multi-Position Upper Body Warming Blanket". |  A diagram showing a person's torso and arms with a warming blanket covering the chest and arms. The blanket has a grid of small squares. |  A diagram showing a person in a lithotomy position with a warming blanket covering the legs and torso. The blanket has a grid of small squares. |  A diagram showing a person in a lithotomy position with a warming blanket covering the legs and torso. The blanket has two ports. Text: NHS Code: VCB759, Lithotomy and Laprascopy, Size: 190 x 180 CM 10. |  A diagram showing a person's lower body with a warming blanket covering the legs and torso. The blanket has a hose port. Text: UNDER BODY, SPINAL BLANKET, 87 x 198cm, REF CLM 0133. |
| Route   | eDirect   | Blue Diamond  | eDirect   | eDirect  | eDirect  |
| UOI   | Case 10   | Box 40  | Box 30  | Box 10   | Box 10   |
| Latex free  | Yes   | Yes   | Yes   | Yes  | Yes  |
| Country of manufacture  | China   | Netherlands   | China   | Australia  | Australia  |

## References:

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