

Bed Sore FAQs

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM A NURSING HOME LAWYER

Why do some wound clinics and nursing homes suggest the use of Clinitron beds for patients with bed sores?

A Clinitron bed is specially designed bed for people with bed sores (also referred to as decubitus ulcer, pressure sores or pressure ulcers). Clinitron beds use 'air fluidized therapy' (AFT) to reduce pressure on areas of the body and to assist in the wound healing process. Clinitron beds are designed to dissipate heat and moisture created by patients bodies and assist in healing wounds. Studies have shown that patients using Clinitron beds actually heal faster than those using ordinary mattresses.

Despite the apparent benefits of using Clinitron beds, some facilities are slow to acquire this technology because these beds cost more than traditional models.

Clinitron is a trademark of Hill-Rom. Below is a picture of a Clinitron bed from the company's website.

