

Until HIPSTER, typical large BMI patient positioning devices, such as tape, belts, manual compression by staff, and other devices to lift and raise the panniculus for positioning could result in patient and/or staff injury.

Patient positioning is often a difficult and cumbersome task. ***The HIPSTER simplifies panniculus retraction.***

HIPSTER is applied in approximately 30 seconds, completely exposes the procedural site, orients surgical planes and effectively reduces the distance from the dermis to the target site.

HIPSTER retractors are repeatable, predictable and reliable.
The HIPSTER provides precise retraction for any procedure requiring femoral access, such as in the Cath and EP Labs.

HIPSTER is available in right and left sides.

HIPSTER is:

Sterile, hypoallergenic and latex free
Made from 3M medical grade tape & adhesive
Provides a fluid and vapor barrier



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Retraction / Patient Positioning



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Clinical Benefits

- Provide access to the procedural site, i.e., femoral artery
- Manage excessive and redundant tissue
- Reduce distance to target tissue
- Does not obstruct the airway or interfere with the anesthesiologist
- Re-orient surgical planes
- Extremely large surface area that allows for extremely low shear forces

Patient & Staff Benefits

- Maintains patient dignity, applies quietly and discreetly
- Potentially reduce surgical site infection (SSIs)
- Does not restrict diaphragm excursion
- Reduce potential injury caused by current techniques and practices

Cost Savings

- Reduce procedural time
- Increase throughput of patient procedures
- Reduce workplace injuries
- Reduce overall costs
- Improves patient outcomes

Clinical reaction to the effectiveness of the HIPSTER panniculus retractor from physicians and OR staff are very positive. As the HIPSTER is used in the field, we discover even more benefits to both hospital staff and the patient. For example, one radiation oncologist wrote the following about his experience:

... The patient had a very large panniculus for which we utilized ... [the] device which stretched her anterior abdominal tissues so there was no issue of tissue overlap. This resulted in a reduced integral dose as well as virtually no reaction in the area of her overlap, which is generally very problematic during radiation treatment.

