Symposium title: International Panel on Patient Handling Ergonomics

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Outline
This symposium brings together papers relating to patient care and patient handling across all healthcare sectors. We are happy to include other similar and related papers.

1. Tamara James: The State of Mobility Assessments – Use and Relationship to Falls Prevention and Patient Lift Equipment
2. Elly Waaijer (Kristina Hallström): Functional Healthcare Design for Mobilization and Ergonomics – Based on Patient Mobility
3. Kristina Hallström: Improving quality of care and work flow
4. Sue Hignett: Community care: Musculoskeletal risks for care staff when working alone or in teams
5. Hanneke Knibbe: (1) Effects on Quality of Care and Work of a New Transfer and Repositioning Device on an Intensive Care Unit
6. Hanneke Knibbe: (2) Fifth national monitoring of the implementation of the Dutch guidelines in home care and institutional care
7. Hanneke Knibbe: (3): Assessing the role of social partners in addressing occupational (musculoskeletal and psychosocial) disorders in health care in European member states
8. Kathy Rockefeller: How is patient handling being integrated into the curriculum of entry-level physical therapist programs?
9. Pippa Wright (1): To articulate risk reduction by evaluating the very culture of an organisation.
10. Pippa Wright (2): To demonstrate that using Safety 2 principles impacts upon managing more than mobility and reducing Muscular skeletal risks throughout the entire care package in Aged and Community care.
11. Mike Fray (1): A comparison of 6 assistive devices that support the rehabilitation of the sit to stand movement
12. Mike Fray (2): An evaluation of the biomechanical risks for a range of methods to raise a patient from supine lying to sitting in a hospital bed.
14. Ed Hall, Jeff Driver ? title