

Frequently Asked Questions

Model 62200

3M™ Bair Hugger™ Multi-position Upper Body Warming Blanket

1. Why should I select the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket over my current upper body blanket?

Tested in the marketplace and preferred by clinicians over their current upper body blanket.¹

In a bent configuration, it could allow clinicians to **recruit additional patient skin surface to warm.**

- ▶ Greater ability to conform to the patient's body¹
- ▶ Greater ability to transform/bend for articulated surgical positions¹

Provides coverage for additional positions and accommodates a wider range of surgical procedures.¹

- ▶ In addition to supine, prone, and lateral, it adapts to: **Beach chair, steep Trendelenburg (robotics), lithotomy, and plastic surgery positions**
- ▶ Its versatility of use supports product standardization

Lower profile and enhanced bendability make it **easier to use and more convenient** for the OR team.

- ▶ Easy to apply, stays in place when positioned
- ▶ Less noticeable under the surgical drapes
- ▶ Conformable design accommodates surgical patient prepping and warming initiation as soon as the patient is positioned on the OR table

2. How is the 3M™ Bair Hugger™ Multi-position upper body blanket different from my current upper body blanket?

- ▶ It is **designed to bend** in order to accommodate a wide range of surgical procedures and positions.
- ▶ It is engineered to **deliver improved heat transfer** in a wide range of surgical procedures.¹
- ▶ It has a **44% lower profile**, which helps the clinician conform the blanket to the patient's body.¹

3. How is the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket similar to my current upper body blanket?

It includes all of the familiar features associated with the current upper body blanket design:

- ▶ An attached clear head drape and two neck vents to keep warm air around the intubated patient's head and allow observation
- ▶ Two re-sealable hose ports to provide flexibility in positioning
- ▶ Integrated tie strips and continuous adhesive strip can secure blanket once placed
- ▶ Material that is soft, conformable, lightweight, and radiolucent

4. What makes the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket bendable and conformable?

- ▶ The new air channel design and lower profile enable the blanket to bend and conform, while still providing uniform temperatures to the patient. As a result, clinicians are equipped with a greater ability to effectively warm their patients in a wider range of surgical procedures.¹

5. Does the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket warm as effectively as my current upper body blanket?

- ▶ Yes. The blanket has been lab tested to ensure effectiveness. In a fully bent configuration, the blanket delivers improved heat transfer.¹

6. Will the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket replace my current upper body blanket?

- ▶ YES, if you use the Bair Hugger Upper body warming blanket (Model 52200).

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7. Would we need to stock both the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket and my current upper body blankets?

- ▶ No, the Multi-position upper body accommodates all surgical positions in which clinicians commonly choose to use the Upper body warming blanket. In addition, it accommodates additional surgical positions which the Upper body blanket does not (see question 8).

8. Can I apply the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket in lieu of my current lower body blanket?

- ▶ Yes, however we recommend that you apply a 3M Lower body warming blanket when you need to cover the lower body of the patient instead of reconfiguring the Multi-position upper body in a lower body configuration.

- ▶ Do not cover and actively warm the patient's feet with the Multi-position upper body warming blanket.
- ▶ It is possible that when used on the patient's lower body, one or both hose ports might end up in the groin area. If this occurs, use a different hose port and/or adjust the blanket so that the hose port being used is NOT directly over the groin area.

9. Can I prewarm with the Bair Hugger Multi-position upper body blanket?

- ▶ The blanket is suitable for use throughout the patient's perioperative journey.

References

1. 3M data on file

