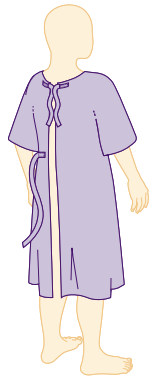


# Information about the Bair Paws® System

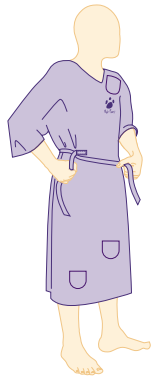


The Bair Paws system was designed to offer you comfort and clinical benefits during your surgical experience. The Bair Paws gown is used in place of a traditional cotton gown. Temperature-controlled air flows through the Bair Paws gown to keep you warm and comfortable before, during and after surgery.

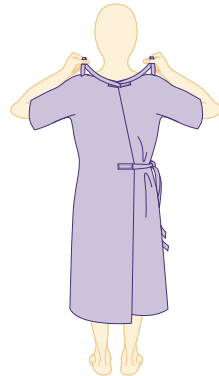
After you put on your Bair Paws gown, your healthcare professional will connect the warming unit to the gown and turn on the warming unit.



1. Put in arms so gown opens in back.



2. Tie loosely at right side.



3. Tie at back of neck.



4. You're ready for warming.

## The benefits to you:

- The Bair Paws system's forced-air warming technology can help you avoid unintended hypothermia (a body temperature below 96.8°F [36°C]) by warming you before surgery. Most patients lose the majority of heat during the first hour under anesthesia. The gown's forced-air warming helps patients avoid this heat loss.
- Clinical studies suggest that forced-air warming can help reduce potential surgical problems associated with unintended hypothermia, such as surgical site infections.<sup>1</sup>
- Studies also suggest that forced-air warming can help lower surgical patients' anxiety.<sup>2</sup>
- Continuous, patient-adjustable warmth with the turn of the handheld controller dial. You're now in control of your own comfort.
- Your own personal Bair Paws gown is made of soft material and is generously sized for a comfortable fit. The gown ties at the side for complete wrap-around coverage.

*We hope you enjoy your experience with the Bair Paws system. To learn more about the importance of staying warm during surgical procedures, or to share your thoughts on the Bair Paws system, please visit [www.bairpaws.com](http://www.bairpaws.com)*

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## INDICATIONS FOR USE

The Bair Paws patient adjustable warming system provides forced-air warming for thermal comfort and prewarming when connected to a Bair Paws 800 series warming unit.

During a surgical procedure, the gown can be connected to a Bair Hugger® 500 or 700 series temperature management unit to provide clinical warming to treat and prevent hypothermia.

## PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING WARNINGS ABOUT PATIENT WARMING:

1. Do not use a forced-air warming device over transdermal medication. Increased drug delivery may occur resulting in patient injury.
2. Do not allow the gown to cover the patient's head or airway.
3. The following conditions may cause a patient to be more susceptible to thermal injury:

- Those with poor perfusion and/or ischemic limbs.
- Warming with the warming unit hose alone.
- Lying on the warming unit hose or allowing the hose to contact the patient's skin.
- Connecting the gown to a warming unit if the fabric has been cut.

USE OF THE BAIR PAWS SYSTEM IS TO BE INITIATED AND MONITORED BY HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.

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