

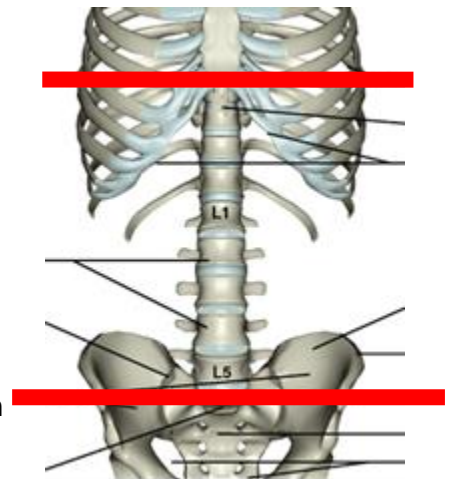
NeoBellyBand™ Bedside Reference

- **Goals:**

- Optimize respiration through the support of the abdominal wall.
- Minimize gaseous distension from respiratory support.
- Promote regular stooling.

- **Fit:**

- Top aligns with the Xiphoid process.
- Bottom aligns with the Anterior Superior Iliac Spines (ASIS).
- Wear over the diaper to prevent soiling, a second is available at the bedside if soiled.
- **DO NOT** compress the abdomen. The goal is **not** to tighten or shrink the belly, but to support underlying muscle activity. Gently lay the fabric on the belly and attach, **no cinching or squeezing necessary**.
- Please avoid placing the temperature probe underneath the band to avoid skin injury and false high reading. The axilla is often an acceptable alternative, check incubator manufacturer instructions to confirm.



- **Wear Schedule**

- Check nursing communication for baby specific recommendations.
- Recommend it is on continuously while on CPAP.
- Please open at each care time and check skin.
- Transition to 6 hours on 6 hours off if baby is weaned to high flow nasal cannula or room air.

- **Abdominal Circumference measurements**

- Ideally, each baby will get a measurement every 24 hours when being weighed.
- So this is not an extra handling of the baby, this can be done while weighing by placing the tape on the bed when baby is lifted while contained in side-lying or prone.

- **LDA**

- Charting in the LDA section under Brace/Orthotic/Orthosis can help keep track of skin.

Brace/Orthotic/Orthosis 03/03/23 1200 abdominal binder trunk			
Brace/Orthotic/Orthosis - Properties...	Placed: 3/3/2023 1200	Type: abdominal binder	Orientation: upper Location: trunk
Wearing Status	on	on	on
Wearing Schedule	on at all times	on at all times	on at all times
Settings			
Skin Condition	skin is intact; no redness...	skin is intact; no redness...	skin is intact; no redness...
Perfusion	able to move digits distal t...	able to move digits distal t...	able to move digits distal t...

- **Notify therapist if:**

- You feel the belly band is getting too tight or short.
- If you need a second band because one got tossed or lost.
- If stool consistency changes or becomes concerning.
- If you have ANY other questions/comments/concerns.