

# NeoBellyBand Quick Reference

- **Benefits:**

- Optimize respiration through support of the abdominal wall
- Minimize gaseous distension
- Prevent CPAP belly
- Promote regular stooling

- **Fit:**

- Top aligns with Xiphoid process
- Bottom aligns with ASIS
- Goes over the diaper
- **DO NOT** compress abdomen. The goal is **not** to squeeze the belly. Gently lay the fabric on the belly, **Tight is NOT Right.**
- Please avoid temp prob under belly band to avoid skin injury and false high temp. The axilla may be used.

- **Wear Schedule**

- Check nursing communication for baby specific recommendations.
- Generally speaking, it will be on continuously while on bcpap- please remove at each care time and check skin and abdomen per standard care. Transition to 3 hours on 3 hours off if baby is weaned to HFNC.

- **Abdominal Circumference measurements**

- Ideally, each baby will get a measurement taken when getting a weight during night shift
- Please place tape on bed when lifting baby (gently in sidelying!) so it is not an extra handling of the baby, place down on tape and close allowing baby to breathe and read on the exhale

- **LDA**

- To help keep track of skin by charting in the LDA section under Brace/Orthotic/Orthosis

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	on
Wearing Schedule	on at all times	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 Therapy if:**

- You feel belly band is getting too tight or you lost one.
- If there are concerns for skin integrity, GI function or other, discontinue use and await team discussion
- ANY other questions/comments/concerns

