

Dear Health Caregiver,

We are here today to introduce you to our Q2 Solution, a patented, disposable, hands-free turning and changing as well as incontinent medical device. We are excited about the “Q2” which was designed by a nurse (myself) to help other nurses by reducing injuries. We nurses are like soldiers on the front lines of a battle and we’re being injured more than any other profession in the United States. That’s why I invented the Q2.

I was working as a hospice nurse caring for a prominent member of our community and because this gentleman had so many visitors, he required frequent cleaning and changing due to renal failure and having a stage 2 pressure ulcer. I was working a double shift and my back was on fire from the constant turning and changing. I needed a break and went to my car where I saw my sweatshirt sleeve caught in the door. I thought, “Aha!” I took my sweatshirt, tucked it under my patient, attached the sleeve to the bed rail and cut out the center. All the weight of my patient was now off my back and arms and my hands were free to clean and give care. My back felt so much better not having to hold the patient with one hand and arm while trying to clean and reach with the other. When I left work that day, I looked all over for a product that would mimic my sweatshirt innovation and there wasn’t anything like it, so I went to work creating one myself.

As you know, pressure ulcers are a huge problem already and one of the reasons is that we’re so busy with all our duties and responsibilities that it’s hard to adhere to the Q2 protocol of turning and changing our patients every two hours. The Q2 makes it much easier to maintain this schedule and do it without getting injured. A recent study showed that while using the Q2, it took less than half the time to turn, clean, provide wound or skin care, change and reposition a patient than with a standard underpad. Because of the extending safety supports, patients were more comfortable and it took less staff to hold them, allowing the nurse to have her hands-free for performing the necessary procedures. The tear-away window allows the nurse to have better visibility and makes the job much easier and more efficient.

We look forward to having you use the Q2 and hearing what you have to say about it! We will be asking you to do this by way of a questionnaire that you can fill out after each shift. We want to hear your comments about why you like it and any suggestions you may have as well. Our goal is to allow nurses to do their job without having to hurt.

Sincerely,

Charleen, Solomon, CEO