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### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION: PLEASE READ**

**⚠ WARNING: Important! Read and understand these instructions before installing or using the GF13701 Basic Patient Alarm. If you do not understand any part of these instructions, contact a healthcare professional for direction in the use of this product. If the patient alarm is not properly set up and adjusted, personal injury and/or damage to the patient alarm could result.**

**⚠ WARNING: If components are damaged or missing, contact your dealer immediately. DO NOT use substitute parts. Use only Lumex® replacement parts. Non-Lumex® replacement parts could cause personal injury and/or damage to patient alarm.**

**⚠ WARNING: GF Health Products, Inc. assumes no responsibility for any damage or injury caused by improper assembly or use of this product.**

### **UNPACKING**

Check for any obvious damage to the carton or its contents. If damage is evident, DO NOT USE. Contact carrier / distributor for further instruction.

### **INTENDED USE**

The intended use of the GF13701 Basic Patient Alarm is to alert caregivers when a patient attempts to exit a wheelchair, chair or bed without assistance. Removal of pressure from the sensor pad beneath the patient activates the alarm.

### **Contraindications**

**⚠ WARNING: This device is not a substitute for routine visual monitoring by caregiver, and is intended to be used in conjunction with a comprehensive fall management program.**

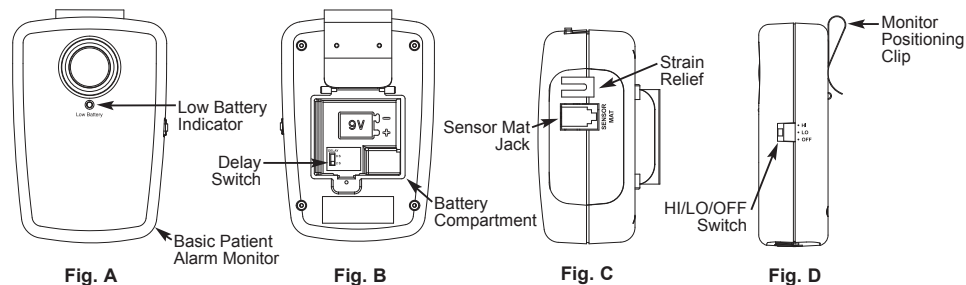
**⚠ WARNING: No claim is made that this device will prevent patient falling or reduce the likelihood of injury as a result. The caregiver is responsible for ensuring that this product is properly installed, tested, and functioning before each use.**

**▲ CAUTION: This device is not suitable for all patients, including but not limited to, those wishing to defeat the alarm system.**

**▲ CAUTION: This product is designed for individuals weighing 74 lb or more.**

**▲ CAUTION: Seat cushions, sling seats, and other environmental factors may negatively affect alarm operation.**

### **ALARM SETUP**



1. Remove the screw that holds the battery compartment cover in place.
2. Inside the battery compartment (see Fig. B):
  - a. Set the delay switch to either 0 or 2 seconds. Selecting 2-second alarm delay may reduce the likelihood of false alarms when used with restless patients.
  - b. Install a new 9V alkaline battery (not included).
  - c. Replace battery compartment cover and reinstall screw.

### **Alarm Testing**

**⚠ WARNING: Test alarm before each use.**

1. Insert the sensor pad's telephone-style plug into the monitor's sensor mat jack (see Fig. C) until it clicks into place.
2. To protect the cable plug end from accidental pull force, route the cable through the strain relief (see Fig. C).
3. Set the HI/LO/OFF switch located on the side of the monitor to the HI or LO position depending on desired alarm volume (see Fig. D). Use your hand to apply pressure to the sensor pad. The monitor will automatically sense the pressure and beep when activated.
4. Remove the pressure and the alarm will sound. To silence the alarm, set the HI/LO/OFF switch to the OFF position.

## **Patient Setup**

1. Follow this procedure before each use.
  - a. If using a chair sensor pad, center the chair sensor pad under the patient's buttocks.
  - b. If using a bed sensor pad, center the bed sensor pad under the patient's buttocks.
2. Set the HI/LO/OFF switch to the HI or LO position depending on desired alarm volume. The monitor will automatically sense the pressure and beep when activated.
3. Have the patient attempt to stand to remove pressure from the sensor pad. The alarm will sound. To silence the alarm, set the HI/LO/OFF switch to the OFF position or place patient back on sensor pad.
4. Reset the HI/LO/OFF switch again to desired position.
5. **Place monitor out of reach of patient.**

**⚠ WARNING: If alarm fails to sound, immediately discontinue use and review alarm setup.**

*Note: False alarms are often the result of poor pad placement. For instance, patients may position themselves differently on a bed with a raised head section than on a completely flat mattress.*

To reduce the likelihood of false alarms, the caregiver *must* ensure that the pad is correctly placed for each patient's unique positioning needs.

## **MAINTENANCE**

**⚠ WARNING: Test the alarm before each use. If alarm fails to sound, remove it from service immediately.**

Check before each use that all alarm components are functional and battery is charged. To replace battery, see ALARM SETUP section on previous page.

*Note: The low battery indicator on the front of the alarm will flash when battery is low and needs to be replaced. Replace battery immediately if indicator flashes (see Fig. A).*

## **Cleaning**

1. To clean: Gently wipe alarm components with a soft, clean cloth.
- ▲ CAUTION: Do not use cleansers that could damage the alarm's finish. Do not submerge any alarm components in liquid.**

## **WARRANTY**

GF Health Products, Inc. ("Graham-Field") offers a one-year limited warranty against manufacturer's defects on the Lumex® GF13701 Basic Patient Alarm.

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