

CLINICAL UPDATE

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION: USING THE TRANSWARMER® MATTRESS

There have been a small number of issues have been a reported regarding the Transwarmer ® Mattress:

These include:

- Not activating
- Rapid cool down
- Already used.

If you encounter any of these issues, please raise a Datix under the code Equipment, with the LOT number of the mattress which is on the box.

If the Transwarmer has already been used or fails to activate, then do not place the neonate on it for transportation.

Whilst we investigate these concerns, please ensure that you familiarise yourself utilising the correct activation technique. A **video** of the Transwarmer ® being used is attached (see link below)

[Using the Transwarmer \(R\) mattress. @EastEnglandAmbulance](#)



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All babies born at home and conveyed to hospital should be placed on a Transwarmer®, and then secured into the Neomate® harness for transportation. This is the only safe way to transfer a neonate to hospital.

Instructions for Use:

1. Locate metal disc and grasp with thumb and forefingers of both hands.
2. Flex (bend) disc rapidly until crystals begin to form.
3. Massage pack to soften and to increase the activation rate.
4. After pack is fully activated, indent centre with palm to form a small nest.
5. Lay infant in nest on the non-woven fabric surface, either in a nappy only or with a single layer of cotton (sheet/ vest/ baby grow) between the baby and the Transwarmer®. Lay a blanket on top of baby to minimise heat loss.
6. Check infant skin regularly for redness and monitor infant core temperature.