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Special Needs Update

Product Update: "The Churchill"

The Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation of Children was very excited to learn about a new special needs child restraint developed by Merritt Manufacturing called the "Churchill."

This is wonderful news as this restraint is going to meet the needs of many children with special healthcare needs. It is an important addition to the specialized restraint selection as many children outgrow the large medical seats available and families do not have the money to purchase a wheelchair van with proper securement when using a wheelchair as a transportation device.

The Churchill is a belt positioning booster seat for children and adults with special needs. The weight range is 65 to 175 lbs. There are no shoulder or hip width restrictions. The occupant is comfortably positioned in an upright or slightly reclined position using one or more of the accessories listed below. However, the vehicle's lap/shoulder belt must always be used as the primary restraint for the occupant.

Vest (Method for torso positioning)

Chest Wrap (Alternate method for torso positioning)

Harness Assembly (Alternate method for torso positioning)

Adjustable EZ-Up Head Rest System (with EZ-Up Caps) which effectively prevents lateral and forward movement of the occupant's head

Comfort Pommel for hip inflection

Stay-Put Pommel to position legs away from the midline

Pelvic Strap for pelvic positioning

Hip Inflection Insert to prevent slouching

Adductor Strap to position legs toward the midline

Crotch Strap to prevent submarining

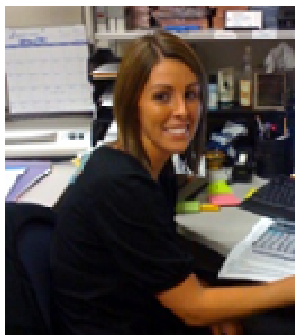


In addition, this product must be used in a seating position equipped with LATCH. Total weight of the Churchill is approximately 10 lbs.

The Churchill has been crash tested and meets all applicable U.S. Federal Safety Standards.

You can email Shayne Merritt at www.eztether.com if you have any specific questions about the seat.

Staff Update



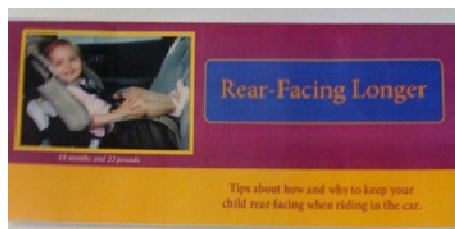
Jody Yoder joined the Automotive Safety Program as the Administrative Assistant in June 2007. She developed an interest in not only child passenger safety, but working with children with special health care needs. Jody became a Child Passenger Safety Technician in April 2009. In May 2009, she transferred to the National Center for Safe Transportation of Children with Special Health Care Needs and the Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation of Children as the Project Assistant. Jody is responsible for doing car seat appointments, coordinating community events, scheduling patient consults, and assisting with course preparations. She is currently working towards completing a B.S. in Nursing.

Kohl's Car Seat Clinic

The Noblesville Kohl's store, Emmis, The Riley Foundation, and the Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation of Children partnered to host a car seat clinic on June 27th. During a period of 3 hours, 58 seats were checked and 22 seats were provided. A live radio broadcast took place from the clinic. In addition to the car seat clinic other activities for children took place such as face painting, a craft table, and a bounce house. The Kohl's Center would like to thank everyone who helped make the events so successful.



Literature Updates



Rear-Facing Longer Fact Sheet: We are pleased to announce a new brochure available through the Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation of Children. The brochure details information regarding keeping children rear-facing longer. The brochure is free of charge (quantities are limited to 200).

Spanish Translations: We now have several of our materials available in Spanish. The translated materials are Autism, Hip/Leg Casts, Cerebral Palsy, and Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation. The Kohl's Center brochure is free of charge and the fact sheets are priced at \$10 per bundle of 25.

All of the Kohl's Center and National Center's literature can be ordered by visiting www.preventinjury.org.