

Adaptive Clothing



What is Adaptive Clothing

- Clothing modified to allow for easier dressing of a patient/resident by a caregiver
- Looks and feels like regular clothing, but difference is how it is put on or taken off of the body



Benefits of Adaptive Clothing

- For the patient:
 - Minimizes awkward and painful joint movements
 - Helps reduce emotional stress.
 - Supports a sense of well-being



Benefits of Adaptive Clothing

- For the caregiver:
 - Reduces physical strain associated with dressing a patient.
 - Easier to put on and takes less time than regular clothing



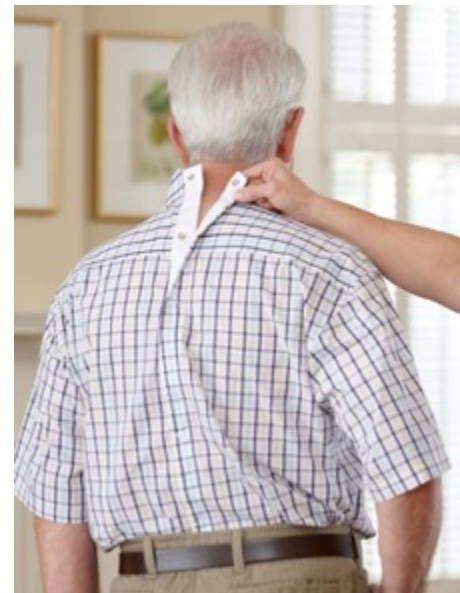
Adaptive Tops

- Velcro or magnetic closures instead of buttons



Adaptive Tops

- Opens to the back instead of the front



Adaptive Tops

- Opens at the shoulder



Adaptive Tops

- Opens down the sides



Adaptive Pants

- Opens partially down the sides



Adaptive Pants

- Opens all the way down the sides



Adaptive Pants

- Wheelchair Pants



Adaptive Shoes



Modifying Regular Clothing into Adaptive Clothing

- Inspiration for DIY:
 - YouTube video:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MDYW-Q9F334>
 - Pinterest
- Ask a local alterations shop



Where Can I Purchase Adaptive Clothing?

- Adaptive Clothing Companies:
 - [Silverts Adaptive Clothing and Footwear](#)
 - [Resident Essentials Adaptive Clothing](#)
 - [Buck and Buck](#)
 - [1-800-Wheelchair.com](#)
- Others:
 - Amazon
 - ebay
 - Etsy
 - Walmart



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