# **Barton Convertible I-Series**

### **Owner Operation Manual**

(with Warranty)

- This Operation Manual provides important instructions for the safe use of Barton Convertible I-Series chairs. Please read this manual carefully and use Convertible I-Series chairs only after you have developed a full understanding about their safe and correct use.
- Do not use the Convertible without first reading and understanding the transfer procedures.
- Keep this manual where you can consult it whenever necessary.
- The information contained in this manual is subject to change without notice.





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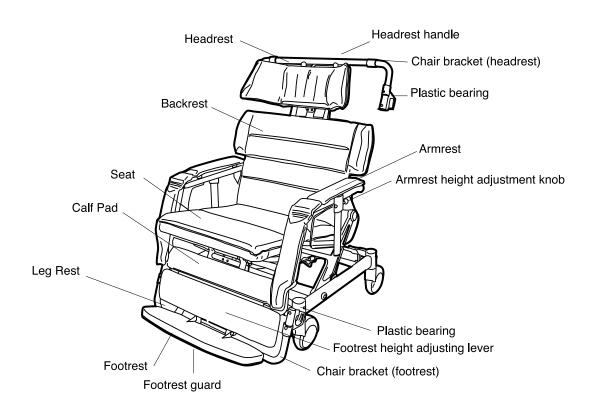
Do not operate this equipment without first reading and understanding this manual. If you are unable to understand the warnings, cautions, and instructions, contact a healthcare professional, dealer, or technical personnel, if applicable, before attempting to use this equipment. Otherwise injury or damage may result.

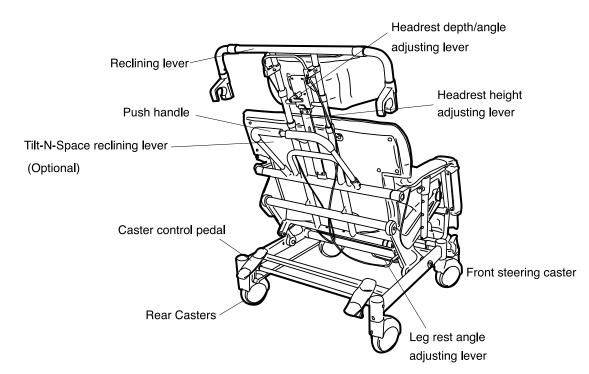
SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

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### 1 Part Names





### 2 Safety Notes

You must understand the warnings and cautions in this manual to use the Barton Convertible safely. Please read all of these instructions carefully to avoid personal injury or property damage.

#### **Tie-Down Restraints and Seat Positioning Straps**

The Department of Transportation has not approved any tie-down system for transporting an occupied Convertible in a moving vehicle of any type. The manufacturer does not recommend transporting the Convertible in vehicles of any kind while the equipment is occupied.

It is the manufacturer's position that users of the Convertible should be transferred to appropriate seating in vehicles and be transported with the use of standard auto industry restraints. The manufacturer cannot and does not recommend any transportation system for the Convertible.

As regards to restraints and seat positioning straps, therapists and other healthcare professionals are obligated to determine if a seat positioning strap is required to ensure the safe operation of this equipment by the user. Serious injury can occur in the event of a fall from a Convertible chair.

#### **Weight Limitations**

The maximum occupant weight for the Convertible I-220 is 220 lb. The maximum occupant weight for the Convertible I-330 is 330 lb. The maximum occupant weight for Convertible I-660 is 660 lb. People who weigh more cannot use these models.

Some patients' physical limitations or weights present the potential for injuring an attendant or the patient when reclining the Convertible.

When in doubt, ensure that additional attendants are present.

#### Before using the Convertible, verify that:

- 1. All casters work properly (4-caster lock, 4-caster free, steering lock).
- 2. The equipment reclines smoothly and stops in any desired position.
- 3. The height and angle of the footrest and the height, angle, and depth of the headrest can be adjusted properly.
- 4. The side rails can be locked and released reliably.



#### WARNING

Please heed the following warning. Failure to observe them can lead to an accident and can seriously the patient.

### Warnings

After any adjustment, repair, or service and before use, ensure that all attaching hardware is tightened



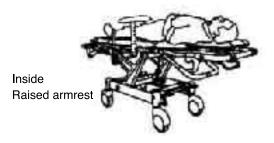
Do not attempt to move the Convertible in the fully reclined or nearly reclined position.



Test the recline feature of the Convertible without an occupant to ensure that the locking cylinder is operational. Do not use the Convertible if the locking cylinder is not working



To maintain maximum stability when reclining/inclining the Convertible, position the patient with arms and legs inside the chair and clear of moving parts.



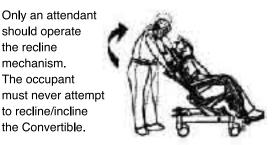
Do not push or pull the Convertible by the headrest handle.



should operate

to recline/incline the Convertible.

the recline mechanism. The occupant



### Warnings

 Do not confuse the headrest and footrest when placing the patient in the prone position.



 Do not jump up and down on the back cushion or seat cushion.

Do not use stairs
 or escalators to
 move an occupied
 Convertible in any
 position.

 Ensure that all persons and objects are clear of the Convertible when you recline/incline the equipment.



 Take special care to lock the casters securely.



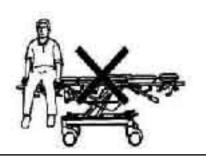
 Never disassemble or remodel the Convertible.



 The maximum occupant weight for the I-220 is 220 lb., the I-330 is 330 lb., and the maximum for the I-660 is 660 lb. People who weigh more cannot use these models.  Do not attempt to lift the Convertible I-Series chairs by holding the leg rest assembly.

### Warnings

 Never sit or lean on the headrest or the legrest when the Convertible is in the prone position.



 The Convertible is not designed to properly support a patient receiving CPR. This will change the center of gravity and may cause the equipment to tip over.  Take special care when going up or down a ramp or slope greater than 9°. Never park the Convertible on a slope. And never leave an occupied chair unattended.



 Do not use the Convertible on gravel or frozen roads, or any surface that is extremely slick or wet.

### **Cautions**

Please heed the following cautions. Failure to observe them may result in personal injury or mechanical failure.

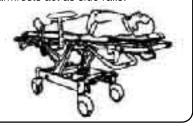
 Do not attempt to use the caster locks to stop the Convertible in motion. These locks are not designed to be braking devices.



 Do not use the footrest as a step when you sit on or get off of the Convertible.



 Always raise the armrests whenever the patient is in the prone position.
 The armrests act as side rails.



Convertible by holding the armrest.

Do not attempt to move the



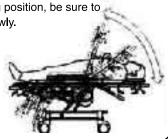
The
 Convertible is
 designed for a
 single
 occupant.
 Never allow
 two or more
 people nor
 place any
 other heavy
 object on it.



 Do not use near an open flame (stove, cigarette, etc.) or an extreme heat source.



 When you transform the Convertible from the prone to the sitting position, be sure to do so slowly.



 Never apply any cutter or sharpedged object to any of the cushions.



- The Convertible I-Series is not designed as a weight training or rehabilitation apparatus. Never use it for such purposes.
- Do not use a Convertible with any missing or abnormal part.
- Use only parts, accessories, and adapters authorized by the manufacturer.

### 3 Making Adjustments

### Height/depth/angle adjusting levers

- The Convertible I-Series has three adjusting levers:
  - 1. Headrest height adjusting lever
  - 2. Headrest depth/angle adjusting lever
  - 3. Footrest height adjusting lever

These three levers, which are in the same form, have two functions:

Function 1 Tighten and loosen. (Turn clockwise to tighten and counterclockwise to loosen.)

Function 2 Change lever position in a tightened state.

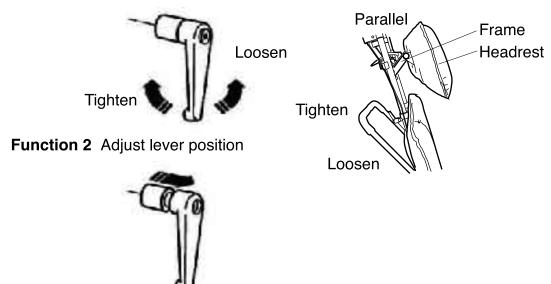


#### ✓!\ CAUTION

Do not change the lever position in a loosened state.

- 1. Turn the lever clockwise. When it is tightened, make the adjustment according to the instructions for the applicable lever.
- 2. To adjust the headrest depth/angle, push the headrest fully outward and then adjust as in 1 above.

#### Function 1 Tighten/Loosen



**CAUTION** 

The lever position cannot be adjusted unless the lever is tightened.

### **Headrest**



#### **\WARNING**

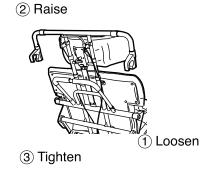
Always use both hands when raising or lowering headrest. Otherwise an injury or an accident may occur.

#### Raising the headrest

tighten the lever fully.

Hold the headrest handle with one hand. Loosen the headrest height adjusting lever with the other Then raise the headrest slowly. When the headrest reaches the desired height,

At the correct height, the patient's neck is visible.



### Depth and angle adjustment

#### Loosen the lever

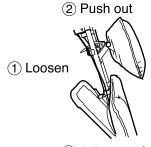
Hold the headrest securely in your left hand, so that it doesn't fall abruptly, and loosen the headrest depth/angle adjusting lever by turning it counterclockwise.

#### Depth/Angle adjustment

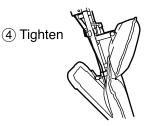
Position both the depth and angle of the headrest assembly while the adjusting lever is in its loose position.

#### Tighten the lever

Once the depth and angle are correctly positioned, secure the headrest in place by turning the adjusting lever clockwise with your right hand while maintaining headrest position with your left hand.



3 Adjust angle



#### WARNING

When loosening the headrest depth/angle adjustment lever, be sure to hold the headrest securely in place. Loosening the lever with the headrest unsupported may cause the headrest to drop abruptly and an injury or accident may occur.

### Support adjustment

#### Adjusting the headrest support

Hold the middle part of headrest support with one hand and turn one side at a time slowly inward with the other hand.

To return the headrest support to its original position, hold the middle part with one hand and pull one side at a time slowly outward with the other hand.





#### **WARNING**

When moving the headrest back to the home position, ensure that nothing comes between the headrest and the chair frame. Otherwise an injury or accident may occur.

#### Returning headrest to original position

#### Loosening the lever

Hold the headrest securely in your left hand, so that it doesn't fall abruptly, and loosen the headrest depth/angle adjusting lever by turning it counterclockwise.

2 Restore angle/depth to home position.

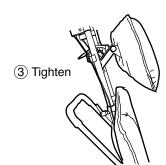
#### Depth/Angle adjustment back to original position

Position both the depth and angle of the headrest assembly while the adjusting lever is in its loose position. Use both hands to move the headrest back to the original position.



#### Tighten the lever

Once the depth and angle are correctly positioned, secure the headrest in place by turning the adjusting lever clockwise with your right hand while maintaining headrest position with your left hand.





#### WARNING

When moving the lever back to home position, ensure that nothing comes between the headrest and the handle. Otherwise an injury or accident may occur.

### Returning headrest to original position

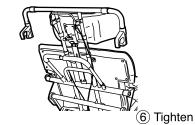
#### Lowering the headrest

Hold the headrest handle with one hand. Loosen the headrest height adjusting lever with the other. Then lower the headrest slowly to its lowest position.



#### **WARNING**

Be sure to restore the headrest to the lowest position before transforming the Convertible to the prone position. Otherwise the patient's head can get caught between the back and the headrest, thus resulting in an injury or accident.



(4) Loosen

### **Footrest**

### **♦** Positioning the footrest

#### Positioning the footrest for use

Use the footrest only at 0 degrees (in the prone position) and 90 degrees (in the upright position).



#### **WARNING**

Never use the footrest at any angle between 0 degrees and 90 degrees. Otherwise the footrest may suddenly fold or rise and cause an injury or accident.



### **◆** Adjusting the footrest height

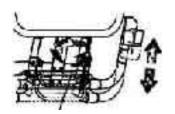
#### When raising and lowering

Hold the footrest guard handle with one hand and loosen the footrest height adjusting lever with the other. Then raise or lower the footrest slowly. When it reaches the desired height, tighten the lever fully.



#### WARNING

Always use both hands when raising or lowering the footrest. Otherwise an injury or accident may occur.



(1) Loosen

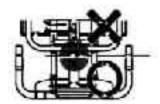
2 Adjust height

### Adjusting the footrest height



#### **CAUTION**

Position the footrest using the footrest height adjusting lever as shown at right. With the lever up, the legrest may not be adjusted properly.



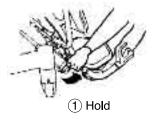
### Leg rest

### ◆ Adjusting the angle of the leg rest

#### Raising the leg rest

Hold the footrest guard handle with one hand. Raise the leg rest slowly by holding and pulling the leg rest angle adjusting lever and guard handle together with the other hand.

Release the leg rest angle adjusting lever when the leg rest reaches the desired position.



#### Lowering the leg rest

Hold the footrest guard handle with one hand. Lower the leg rest slowly until it stops moving by holding and pulling the legrest angle adjusting lever and guard handle together with the other hand.



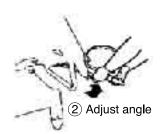
#### **WARNING**

Always use both hands when raising or lowering the leg rest.



#### CAUTION

Do not snap the lever; snapping may lead to mechanical problems.



### 4 Operating the Convertible I-Series

### **Casters**

The casters can be easily controlled by operating the caster control pedal.

#### Central Lock

#### Function 1 4-caster lock function

Use this function to hold the Convertible motionless when transforming it from a prone to an upright position and when transferring a patient to and from a bed.



#### ✓ CAUTION

The caster lock is not designed to stop the Convertible in motion. Do not operate the caster control pedal while moving the equipment.

#### Function 2 4-caster free function

Use this function to bring the Convertible alongside a bed or to "freewheel." This function allows all 4 wheels to swivel and rotate freely.

#### Function 3 Steering lock function

Use this function to lock the two front casters from swiveling so that the Convertible can be easily steered in a straight line.

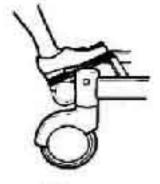


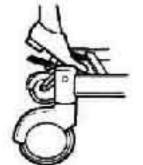
#### CAUTION

Only the two front casters have all three functions.

Depress the caster control pedal as shown at right and move the Convertible about three feet backward or forward. This will lock the swivel of the two front casters. You will then be able to move the equipment with greater stability.







### **Casters (continued)**



### NARNING

Always use the steering lock function on surfaces with a lateral incline. The Convertible may move in the sloping direction of the incline, when pushed forward, if the chair is in the 4-caster free function. The steering lock function works at the caster angles of 0 degrees and 180 degrees, so that the swivel of the front casters can be locked even when one caster faces forward and the other faces backward. In such a case, set the casters free by using the 4-caster free function, move the chair backward or forward to adjust the caster orientation, and lock the caster swivel again.

### **Reclining operation**



#### WARNING

Before reclining the Convertible, always ensure that the casters are locked. Otherwise an injury or accident may occur.

Do not transport patients in the reclining position. Otherwise an injury or accident may result.

Before changing the Convertible from the upright to the prone position, be sure to restore the headrest tilt mechanism to the home position. Otherwise the head may drop downward and cause an injury or accident.



### **!**\ CAUTION

Take all reclining steps slowly.

The leg rest must be in the down (lowered) position before reclining/inclining.

The footrest must be in the up (raised) position before reclining/inclining.

### Changing from sitting to prone position

 Hold the headrest handle with one hand and squeeze the reclining lever and headrest handle together with the other. Push both slowly downward.



#### WARNING

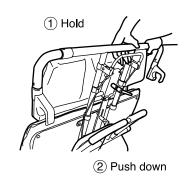
Always use both hands when pushing downward.

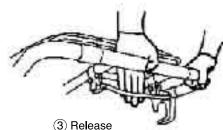
2. Release the reclining lever when the back reaches the desired angle.



#### **CAUTION**

Do not snap the lever; snapping may lead to mechanical problems.





### Changing from prone to sitting position

- **%** This reverses the procedure for changing from sitting to prone position.
- Hold the headrest handle with one hand and squeeze the reclining lever and headrest handle together with the other, and lift them slowly upward.



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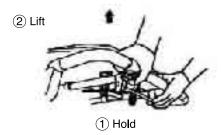
Always use both hands when lifting.

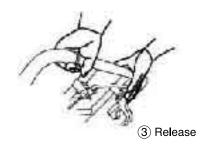
2. Release the reclining lever when the back reaches the desired angle.



#### CAUTION

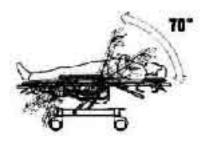
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### Changing from prone to sitting position

3. The back stops at any angle between the prone position and the back angle of 70 degrees.



#### **Armrests**

#### **♦** How to use the armrests as siderails

#### Raising the armrests

Pull the armrest height adjusting knob with one hand while simultaneously raising the armrest with the other. Once the side armrest is at the desired height, release the height adjusting knob and armrest will lock into place.

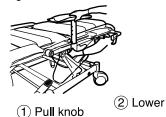
#### Raising side rails



#### Lowering the armrests

Pull the armrest height adjusting knob with one hand while simultaneously lowering the armrest with the other. Once the armrest isat the desired height, release the height adjusting knob and the armrest will lock into place.

Lowering side rails





#### **V** WARNING

Ensure that armrests are securely locked in place. An unsecured armrest may fall abruptly and an injury or accident may occur.

#### **Chair brackets**

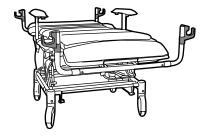
#### Notes on chair brackets

The chair brackets are installed on each side of the headrest and footrest of the Convertible.



### WARNING

Use the chair brackets only when the Convertible is in the prone position. Protruding chair brackets present a great danger; people and objects may get caught on them. After transferring a patient, be sure to restore the chair brackets to their original positions before transforming the equipment to the upright position.





#### CAUTION

Use the chair brackets only when transferring the patient using the transfer bar. Otherwise mechanical failure may result.

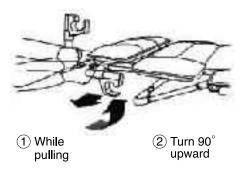
#### Use of chair brackets

#### Bringing alongside the bed

Bring the prone Convertible alongside the bed and lock the casters.

#### Setting chair brackets for use 1

Hold the chair bracket opposite the bed side with one hand and the plastic ring on the guard handle with the other hand. Then turn the chair bracket 90 degrees while pulling the guard handle longitudinally to raise the chair bracket upright.

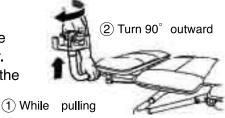


#### Use of chair brackets

#### Setting chair brackets for use 2

Now hold the upright chair bracket with one hand and the plastic bearing with the other. Pull and twist the chair bracket away from the bed and release it.

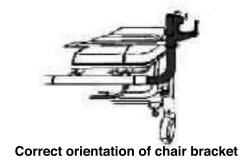
Perform this operation for both the headrest and footrest chair brackets on the side opposite the bed.





#### **CAUTION**

When restoring the chair brackets to their original positions, always ensure that the plastic bearings are down.



### 5 Troubleshooting the Convertible I-Series

#### ◆ Trouble? First make these checks.

Before contacting your dealer for repair, please make the following checks:

Trouble	Check	Correction	Page
Does not move	Caster lock	Release caster lock.	15
Does not go straight	Position of caster control pedal	Use the steering lock function of casters.	15
Headrest not locked	Lever position	Correct lever position.	11-13
Angle of leg rest not adjusted	Lever position	Correct lever position.	14

## 6 Maintaining the Convertible I-Series

#### **Checks and maintenance**

#### 1. Checks

Barton Convertible chairs are designed for enhanced safety and durability. Yet they are not totally free from wear and tear resulting from environmental conditions, duration of use, and rough handling. For increased product longevity, periodically inspect all parts and replace them as needed.

#### 2. Maintenance

Moisture can cause rusting and noise. Take care to wipe off any moisture present on the Convertible.

### **♦** Cleaning the Convertible I-Series

To clean the Convertible, use mild soap and water or a nonabrasive anti-microbial cleanser. First, wet a cloth and wring it dry. Then gently wipe off the chair.



Before using any cleaning product, test it on an inconspicuous area of fabric. Never use any volatile fluid (thinner, gasoline, etc.) that could cause discoloration or deterioration.

### 7 Specifications

Product name		BARTON Patient Transfer System			
Model:		I-220	I- 330	I-660	
Maximum occup	oant weight:	220 lb	330 lb	660 lb	
	Overall length	Fully reclined: 74 in			
Overall heig		Fully upright at lowest headrest position: 52 in Fully reclined: 27.25 in			
	Overall depth	Fully reclined: 47.5 in (footrest down)			
	Overall width	25.6 in	29.5 in	35 in	
	Seat width	17.7 in	21.5 in	27 in	
	Seat depth	19 in	21 in	24 in	
	Net weight	146 lb	152 lb	166 lb	
	Shipping weight	168 lb	176 lb	195 lb	
	Back angle	0° to 70°			
	Headrest adjustable height		0 to 5 in		
	Footrest adjustable height	0 to 5 in			
	Caster	6 in diameter			
Materials	Frame	1.25 in/1.0 in diameter; steel tubing & aluminum			
	Cushion	Nylon fabric with a blended neoprene/butyl rubber coating (antibacterial) Urethane foam inside			

### 8 Warranty and Service

### **About the Product Warranty**

- 1 The warranty on this product appears at the end of this manual. After entering the necessary information, your dealer should hand it to you. Please read the warranty information carefully and save it for future use.
- 2 The warranty period is three years from the day of purchase for the frame and one year for wear items and other materials. For inquiries about repairs within the warranty period or after-sale service, please contact your dealer or Barton Medical. For repair, you need to provide the following information:

Your name, phone number, and address

Product name and the date of purchase (see the warranty)

Detailed description of trouble or abnormality

3 For repair after the warranty period, please contact your dealer or Barton Medical for information. If it is determined that a repair can restore the product to normalcy, will be carried out for regular payment at your request.

### Warranty

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Phone No. <warranty period=""></warranty>	Phone No. Seal:	
One Year from date of purchase	Serial No. (on back of seat)	
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- This warranty promises repair based on the following rules.
  - When any malfunction has arisen during the warranty period, ask your dealership for repair by returning the product along with this warranty. The warranty is void, however, if any entry in it (date
    - of purchase, name of your dealership, etc) is missing. Therefore, be sure to check the entries when you have purchased your equipment.
  - 2. When you cannot ask your dealership for repair because you have changed your address or the product was a present to you, inquire about after-sale service.

This warranty will not be reissued, so store it in a safe place.



#### BARTON CONVERTIBLE I-SERIES CHAIR

#### LIMITED WARRANTY

PLEASE NOTE: THE WARRANTY BELOW HAS BEEN DRAFTED TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW APPLICABLE TO PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED AFTER JULY 4, 1975.

This warranty is extended only to the original purchaser/user of our products.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other legal rights, which vary from state to state.

Barton Medical warrants the chair frame to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of three (3) years from date of purchase. Wear items including, but not limited to: upholstery, casters, locking cylinder, release cable, recline release handle, guide rod wear strips, and seat frame wear collars are warranted to be free of defects in material and workmanship for a period of one (1) year. If within such warranty period any such products shall be proven to be defective, such product shall be repaired or replaced, at Barton Medical's option. This warranty does not include any labor or shipping charges incurred in replacement part installation or repair of any such product. Barton Medical's sole obligation and your exclusive remedy under this warranty shall be limited to such repair and/or replacement.

For warranty service, please contact Barton Medical. Do not return products without our prior consent.

LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS: The foregoing warranty shall not apply to:

- Serial numbered products if the serial number has been removed or defaced;
- Products subjected to negligence, accident, improper operation, maintenance, or storage;
- Products modified without Barton Medical's express written consent including, but not limited to, modification through the use of unauthorized parts or attachments;
- Products damaged by reason of repairs made to any component without the specific consent of Barton Medical; or to
- Products damaged by circumstances beyond Barton Medical's control.

Such evaluation will be solely determined by Barton Medical. The warranty shall not apply to problems arising from normal wear or failure to adhere to these instructions.

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