# NASG SAFETY



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There are certain key points to remember when caring for a woman in the NASG. Like any other first-aid device, the NASG must be used properly to help the patient. If not used in the right way, the woman may not get better. In order to keep a woman safe while using the NASG, please keep the following in mind:

#### **During Application**

1

Two people can apply the leg segment pairs #1, #2, and #3 (each person applying the segments to one leg at the same time), but only one person should apply the pelvic and abdominal segments #4, #5, and #6.



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#### **During Treatment**

2 If the woman is unconscious when the NASG is applied, try to keep someone with her at all times (a health care worker, relative, friend) to explain the NASG to her when she becomes conscious. Otherwise, she may not understand what it is for and might try to take it off.



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Once the NASG is on, never open segments #5 and #6.



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### **During Transport**



Once the NASG is placed, the woman must keep the NASG on until she is at the **Referral Hospital** and stable for at least two hours.



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#### Knowledge Assessment

See if you can answer these questions correctly. After you have marked your answers look below for the correct answers. If you answered any of the questions incorrectly, go back to the section about that topic and review.

- 1. Once the NASG is applied it is safe to open the abdominal segments #5 and #6 (over the stomach) every once in a while. (True/False)
- Someone should stay with an unconscious woman to explain the NASG when she wakes up. (True/False)
- 3. How many people should apply segments #4, #5, and #6? \_\_\_\_\_ (Write in the correct number in the blank).





#### Knowledge Answers

1. Once the NASG is applied it is safe to open the abdominal segments #5 and #6 (over the stomach) every once in a while. (True/False)

Answer: False. The abdominal segments (#5 and #6) should NEVER be opened at the community level and should never be opened first.

 Someone should stay with an unconscious woman to explain the NASG when she wakes up. (True/False)

Answer: True. A health worker or a family member should stay with an unconscious woman so they can explain the NASG to her when she wakes up so she doesn't get scared and take it off.

3. How many people should apply segments #4, #5, and #6? \_\_\_\_\_\_

Answer: "1." Only 1 person should apply segments #4, #5, and #6. In fact any single segment should be applied by just one person. Two people may work together on applying the segment pairs on the legs (#1, #2, #3).

