

## Identified Care Needs for Trevor Arthur Saunders. DoB 7-6-1940

### Immobility

- **Pressure ulcers:** very high risk of pressure ulcer development. Needs Nimbus (specialist pressure relieving mattress 24/7). Needs 2hourly pressure area care with minimum 2 staff 24/7.
- **Chest infection:** At very high risk of developing persistent chest infection(s).
- **Muscle wastage:** limb contractures, increasing discomfort and difficulty in manoeuvring, even in hoist.
- **Moving and handling:** complexity due to above stated and reluctance at times to get out of bed. Also very large man with very dense hemiplegia. Needs hoist and specialist wheelchair with minimum of 2 staff plus encouragement.

### Elimination

- **UTI (Urinary Tract Infection)**
- **Catheter care - urinary catheter insitu.**
- **Faecal incontinence**

### Washing and dressing

- **Completely dependent on minimum of 2 staff**
- **Mouth care**
- **Foot care**

### Communication

- **Cognitive impairment due to CVA (Cerebral Vascula Accident) - unaware and unable to recognise risks (e.g. feel burning on affected limbs).**
- **Aphasic - unable to communicate in standard / regular form as cannot find appropriate words frequently. Needs professional communication skills, time and patience to know and understand his specific needs in communication.**
- **Depression / low mood.**

### Unable to maintain a safe environment

- **Unaware of risks due to lack of sensation in affected limbs and cognitive impairment of these.**
- **Bedrails.**
- **Specialist wheelchair.**

### Eating and drinking

- **Needs full assistance with all food and drink - prompting, monitoring, supervision, food cut up, encouragement and occasionally (e.g. with chest infection) feeding.**

### Conclusion

Above is based on Care Assessment visit by Gill Gwyther, RGN, on 27 November 2007 to see Trevor Saunders at Chiltern Court, Wendover. The assessment was not for Continuing Care, but to assess his care needs for possible admission to St David's Nursing Home. Due to complexity of ongoing care, we would consider these to be health needs, and consider Trevor to meet the criteria for Continuing Care. The care needs of Trevor Saunders equal or exceed those of Pamela Coughlan as described in PAMSDAY.PDF on [www.nhscare.info](http://www.nhscare.info)



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