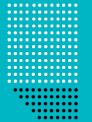
## **Bariatric Friendly Hospital Initiative**

Improving the Care in Alberta Hospitals for Adult Patients Living with Obesity



Obesity in Alberta



29%

of adults in Alberta live with



of adult patients in hospital live with obesity



Patients living with obesity stay in hospital

LONGER

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The Case for Improving Care for Patients Living with Obesity



## **Providers**

Weight bias

Insufficient staff training

> Lack of equipment

Improper use of equipment

Risk of patient handling injury

## **Patients**

Experience weight bias & stigma

Risk of blood clots

Risk of pressure injury

Delays in care

Inaccurate blood pressure measurement

Making Hospitals Safer for Patients & Providers



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**Provincial** Guidelines



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**Improve Processes** 







