

Firm Back/Firm Seat (FB/FS)

The Firm Back/Firm Seat (FB/FS) is a measurement-based system that supports the trunk, spine and pelvis comfortably in a neutral position. Depending on a patient's needs, the FB/FS might have a premolded or solid base. Other components might include lateral thoracic supports, anterior supports, a pelvic belt, pelvic bolsters and a head support. Often the FB/FS has specific features, including:

- An antithrust seat to prevent patients from sliding out of the seat
- Reliefs (cut-out areas) to prevent pressure on bony areas
- An abduction pommel to keep hips and knees aligned

The FB/FS fits securely into most mobility bases and can be used with laptrays and communication devices. It's adjustable to accommodate changes in weight and height. Various cover options are available.

For more detailed information about the FB/FS, see the Using and Caring for a Custom Gillette Seat brochure.

To schedule an appointment, call [651-290-8707](tel:651-290-8707).



A Custom-Fabricated Seat and Back Cushion

Model Numbers:

- Premolded base No. 0780
- Solid base No. 9758
- Back No. 9774

Fitting Process

The fitting appointment includes the proper positioning of a patient into his or her custom firm back and seat. During the appointment the seating practitioner will do an evaluation and discuss seating goals and any physical limitations.

The seating system will be attached to the wheelchair and safely secured. During the fitting process the practitioner

will seat the patient into the seating system to ensure a proper fit. Items such as a headrest, anterior thoracic support, positioning and safety belts, and lap tray will all be addressed. Pressuring mapping will also be completed to evaluate pressure management.

Once the fitting process is finished, the practitioner will do final fabrication of the seating system. We will discuss transferring, positioning, preventing pressure sores, and caring for your seating system.

It is important to remember that this is an 8-hour appointment. Please bring medicines, extra clothing, lunch and any other items that you may need during the day (i.e. supplemental oxygen).

[Appointment: 651-290-8707](#)**[Refer a Patient: 651-325-2200](#)** **[Pediatric Expert Consult](#)** **[More Ways to Contact Us](#)**

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If you are a Gillette patient with urgent questions or concerns, please contact Telehealth Nursing at [651-229-3890](tel:651-229-3890).