

# Mammography Chair references



"I find the chair very user-friendly, easy to manoeuvre, and comfortable for ladies who cannot stand. In addition, we have found that the Agile Medical Mammography Chair has helped improve patient flow with these patients.

The chair's various features are extremely useful, e.g. the side arms, lifting, tilting position, and it makes our job easier, assisting women who are unsteady on their feet.

Since we have received the specialised patient chair, I now see how much we have struggled in the past.

In my opinion, the Agile Medical Mammography chair is simply the best thing since sliced bread."

**Lead Mammographer, Shahina Ahmed**

**Clinic:** Parapet Breast Unit, King Edward VII Hospital

**Location:** Windsor, England



"The chair is easy to use and helps us get patients right up close to the screening machine. The chair was intended for shorter staff to use with patients but quickly became popular with other staff.

Patients prefer this 'new' way of screening too. Previously, they had to stand up or use the wheelchair if they couldn't remain completely still. The wheelchair would be a last resort because patients, disabled or otherwise, don't like the stigma and clinical aspect of a wheelchair.

It's so easy to manoeuvre the chair, even with larger clients. While the patient is seated, we can make small adjustments to find the best screening position, which has reduced the stress and discomfort felt in our shoulders. The handlebar and wheels make the chair easier to manoeuvre than a wheelchair or office style chair. The armrests can be lowered to seat level, making it easy to transfer patients from their wheelchair. And if they need to be moved to another room or department, we don't need to transfer them back into their own chair.

When patients are seated at 90 degrees, it closes the abdomen and makes screening difficult. But with the Agile Medical Mammography chair, the seat can be tilted to open the hip/abdomen angle. The armrests help patients feel safe and confident.

The patient chair's height adjustment is such a positive feature because whatever the height of staff and patients, the chair can be positioned to make the screening comfortable for everyone. The armrest control means we can stand beside the patient, which helps to reassure nervous or infirm clients."

**Lead Mammographer, Leanne Calderwood**

**Department:** Mammography

**Location:** Nottingham City Hospital



"We just all love the chair here at the department. It is so easy to manoeuvre and really helps us overcome the huge patient flow of many different patients. We occasionally also use the chair for shorter transfers e.g., bringing the patient from the waiting room to the examination.

We are looking into the possibility of getting a chair in each of our other examination rooms because the need to handle elderly and larger patients is getting more and more of an issue for the staff.

The flexibility of the Agile Medical Mammography chair means we are able to examine both larger and smaller patients whilst ensuring the correct working posture.

The chair contributes to handling heavy, elderly or disabled patients faster and safer than without.

We feel the patients who use the chair for examinations are more comfortable and relaxed in what can be an uncomfortable and stressful situation."

**Vickie Sanderson; Specialist Radiographer & Lead Mammographer**

**Department:** Breast Screening Unit

**Location:** Queen Elizabeth II Hospital, UK