·Risk Analysis

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•TC400 Series Overhead baby Warmers

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•Intended Use

•To create low level heat around a newborn baby to reduce heat loss from the patient. The heater is manually controlled and cannot exceed 400 Watts output.

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- •There are four versions available all using the same heater module.
- •The structure is an electric Heater element in a metal enclosure
- •Behind the element is a reflector and in front a metal grill.

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•There are three areas of risk.

•1) Electric Shock.

- This is only possible if;
 - a. The case is removed with the unit switche on
- b. Wiring failure where wires are disconnected and comes into contact with the enclosure.
- c. The element is touched. This can only happen with the use of a long thin conductor.

•2) Patient Overheat.

- This may occur on maximum power only if the warning labels are diregarded and the patient is placed to near to the heater
- Warnings are attached to the stand.

•3) User Overheat.

- The distance between the heatr and the patient is also the working area and heat can effect the users head.
- The grill can become hot to the touch
- Warnings are placed on the heater unit.

•4.Physical Injury

• Due to the low distance between the the heater and the patient it is possible for the users head to come into contact with the heater enclosure.

•5.Component failure

- Failure of any component will leave the heater either OFF or at 100% output
- •The 400 watts at 100% at 27 ins has been shown to be safe.

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