



The Shape of Safer Practice

Practical Session

Tuesday

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Stream F Session 5

Hoisting Client's in a Supine Position

There are many reasons for hoisting clients maintaining a supine position;

- Following a successful resuscitation on the floor
- Hoisting a fallen person who has fractured a neck of femur
- Spinal injuries
- Ventilated patients
- Trauma victims
- Clients following surgical procedures

The introduction of a flat lifter and the subsequent method of this type of hoisting is one that many healthcare professionals may be unfamiliar with. According to Hignett and McAtamney (2001) the lifting of a client using a flat/scoop stretcher are at risk due to poor posture.

This session aims to introduce participants to the practical skills of undertaking such a task; the session will be underpinned by the safer principles of manual handling and the risk assessment process as described in The Guide to the of Handling People 5th Edition (2005).