

Safe Work Procedure:

Transferring Patients out of Vehicles in the Emergency Department

STEP 1



- One staff member is positioned inside vehicle and one staff member is positioned outside vehicle.
- Each staff member takes a side of 1 purple maxislide to unroll it under patient seated in vehicle.
- The folds of the maxislide should be on the underside against the car's seat when unrolling the maxislide under patient.

STEP 2



- Position a yellow EMS stretcher outside vehicle as shown.
- Adjust the height of the stretcher to match the height of vehicle's seat.
- Position a pat slide under the patient's thigh and on the stretcher to bridge the gap between the seat and stretcher.

STEP 3



- One staff member positions themselves inside vehicle and one staff member positions themselves outside vehicle.
- One staff member grips the maxislide at the patient's shoulder level and one staff member grips at the hip level.
- Staff rotate the patient together as shown to prepare to transfer patient out of the vehicle back first.

STEP 4



- Ensure that some staff are bracing the EMS stretcher so that it doesn't move. EMS stretchers do not have brakes.
- Lower the patient's back down onto the pat slide that is on the stretcher.

STEP 5



- Ensure that staff are bracing stretcher so it doesn't move.
- One staff member should be on either side of the stretcher.
- Slide the patient down the pat slide and onto the stretcher.
- TLR belts can be attached to the black handles of maxislide to allow for safer body mechanics when moving patient.



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