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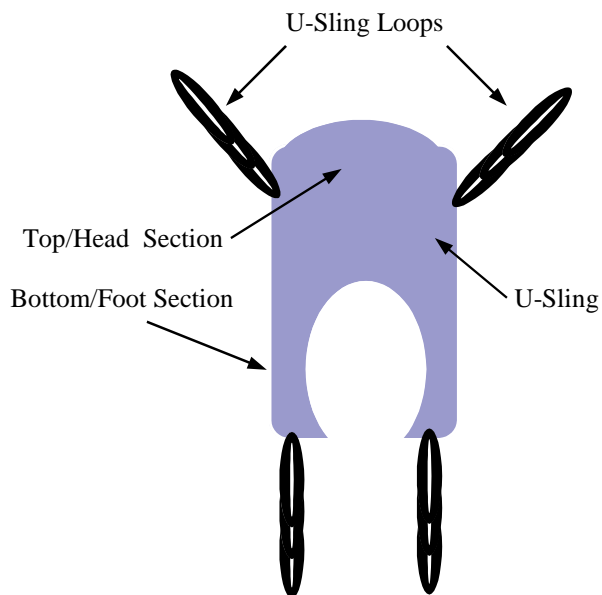
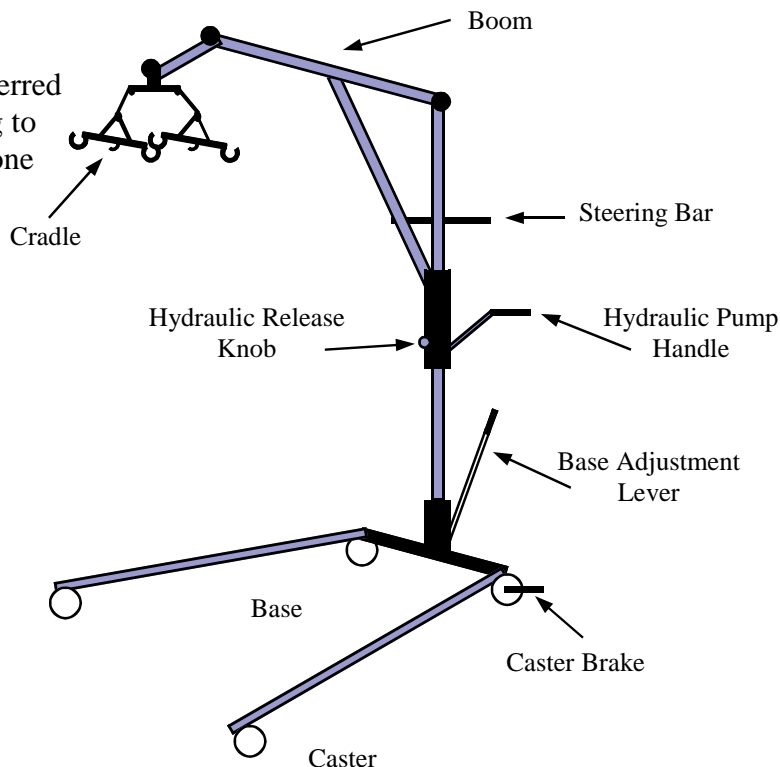
## Patient Lift and Sling

### General

Patient lifts allow a person to be lifted and transferred with minimum physical effort. Before attempting to lift anyone, it is always best to practice on someone other than the patient. (see operating instructions)

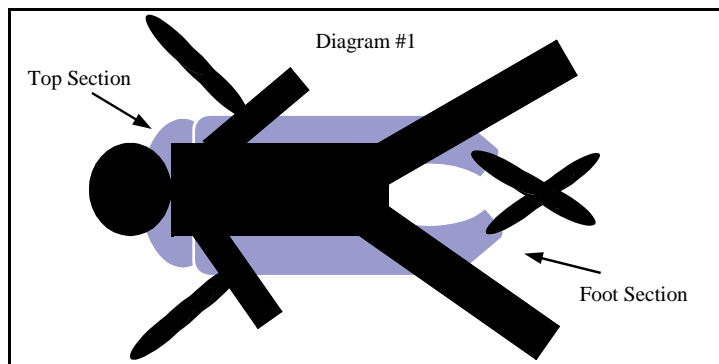
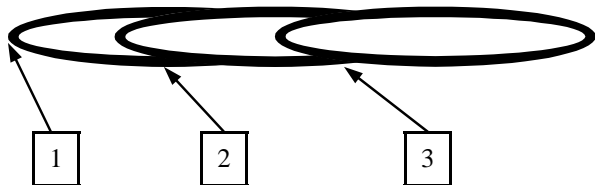
### U-Sling

This particular sling consists of a "U" shaped sling with four loops each having 3 adjustment levels. (see below)



The U-sling has a top/head section and a bottom/foot section. When attaching the top section to the cradle, the same adjustment level should be used. This should also occur when attaching the foot section. The top section should be placed behind the patient's back when preparing for a transfer and the bottom section should be placed toward the patient's feet. (see Diagram #1)

These adjustment levels allow for easier positioning and quick height adjustment.



## Operating Instructions

1. Prepare equipment and room for transfer:
  - A. Clear a pathway in the room if needed.
  - B. Prepare the piece of equipment the patient will be transferred from and the piece of equipment the patient will be transferred to (wheelchair, commode, bed, etc.).
2. Prepare sling to attach to cradle:
  - A. If patient is transferring out of a wheelchair, position sling; top section up behind the patient's back. Feed the bottom section around and under the patient's legs while crossing foot section (see Diagram #1).
  - B. If patient is transferring out of a bed, place top section of the sling behind the patient's back. Feed bottom section under the patient's legs while crossing the foot section (see Diagram #1).
3. Maneuver the lift into place:
  - A. Jack cradle up by using the hydraulic hand pump (if cradle dose not rise, check the hydraulic release knob to assure it is closed).
  - B. Maneuver lift into place over the patient making sure cradle is out of the way of any body parts.
  - C. Once lift is in place, use base adjustment lever to widen base (this will create a more stable lifting platform) making sure the lever locks back into place when base is widened.
  - D. Lower cradle into place by turning the hydraulic release knob counter clockwise (the more the knob is turned the faster the cradle will drop) **USE CAUTION!!!**
  - E. Tighten the hydraulic release knob and attach the sling to the cradle (see Diagram #2).
4. **MAKE SURE CASTER BRAKE IS ENGAGED.**
5. Use hydraulic pump handle to raise patient.
6. Transfer patient to desired destination.
7. Turn hydraulic release knob counter clockwise (**ONLY TURN SLIGHTLY**; the more the knob is turned the **FASTER** the patient will drop).
8. Remove sling from cradle and maneuver lift away from the patient.
9. Remove sling from under or behind patient.

