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Using the Bariatric Sked® Stretcher

1. Remove the bariatric Sked from its' carrying case and unroll it while standing on the foot end.
2. Reverse roll it over your arm and against your body.
3. Place it close to the patient and roll him/her onto it.
4. If you are unable to roll the patient place the Bariatric Sked either above the head or at the feet of the patient and drag the patient, in line with his/her spine, onto the bariatric Sked.
5. Fasten all cross straps to the buckles directly across from where they are attached.
6. Pull the foot end of the Bariatric Sked upward, fasten the foot-end straps and tighten them.
7. Using the drag handle you can now drag the patient to an ambulance or other means of transport.
8. There is a tow strap included in this kit. By attaching it to two of the side handles of the Bariatric Sked you can enable two more people to assist with dragging extremely heavy patients. It is not rated for lifting anyone from the ground/floor.
9. If it is necessary to hoist a patient onto a bariatric guerney attach the lift slings by pulling them under the Bariatric Sked and passing the end loops through the angled slots on the sides. Bring all four ends to the center above the patient and attach them to the large steel carabiner. The carabiner is then clipped into the lift hook of the hoisting mechanism.

Cleaning the Bariatric Sked® Stretcher

The Bariatric Sked can be cleaned with mild laundry soap and water. To disinfect it use the standard hypochlorite solution found at most medical facilities. After cleaning and disinfecting the Sked it is necessary to rinse it with clean water and allow it to dry completely before placing it into storage.

** For lowering bariatric patients down stair way an optional friction device and rescue rope are available. Avoid using hand rail for anchor when lowering any patient as it could result in a catastrophic failure.