

Mechanical Sling Lift

AgileLife

Boost patient in bed	Tedious & time-consuming.	Touch of a button.
Transfer patient to bed, wheelchair or commode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need minimum of 2 caregivers. - Can be difficult to locate device. - Time consuming. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 caregiver can transfer. - System available at all times. - Approximately 2 minutes.
Potential discomfort or pain during transfers or repositions	Typical	Atypical
Dignity of patient	Questionable	Intact
Risk of injury to caregiver	Moderate	Minimal
Risk of compromise to patient's skin integrity	Moderate to high depending on the user(s)	Minimal
Ease of use	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Find, inspect & position the device properly. 2. Turn client at least 2 times to position sling properly. 3. Follow standard set up procedures for the device & sling. 4. Guide and protect client while he/she is airborne during transfer. 5. Guide individual onto chair. 6. Lift individual to remove sling 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Use touch screen control panel. 2. Monitor client during transfers.
Cost (includes)	Lower (sling)	Higher (bed, wheelchair, commode)
Fall prevention	Patient falls have been known to occur and severe injuries (and death) have been reported. *	Prevents falls.
Total transfer time	10-20 minutes	Approximately 2 minutes

* <http://www.nursingtimes.net/newsletter/nursing-practice/specialisms/management/safety-alert-issued-to-nhs-on-patient-falls-from-hoists/5091649.article>