



**PRAIRIE NORTH REGIONAL
HEALTH AUTHORITY**

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Number: 15001
Category: Continuing Care
**Title: Safety Measures for Lifting Devices
and Slings**

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PURPOSE

To ensure client safety while being transferred using a lifting device and/or sling.

POLICY STATEMENT

It shall be the policy of all Prairie North Regional Health Authority facilities and programs utilizing lifting devices and/or slings to transfer a resident that the device and/or sling will be checked for good repair prior to being used.

The sling must also be checked before each use to ensure it is attached properly to the device and the resident is positioned appropriately in the sling.