



## SUBJECT: HOIST INFORMATION PACKS

RECIPIENTS: Adult Care Managers, All OTs, CWDT, LCC Special Schools

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### MOVING AND HANDLING – Hoist Information Packs

Every year, 120 hoisting accidents are reported to the MHRA, some of which are very serious injuries and even fatalities. Of 163 hoist accidents analysed for the HSE, 60% involved 'slipping out' of the sling (see photo opposite). This is due to incorrect loop attachments, using the wrong sling, incompatibility between hoist and sling, poor maintenance, inadequate training and poor moving and handling plans.



Within Lincolnshire, there is an inter-agency moving and handling plan. In addition to this, LCC have a Hoist Information Pack which is used in conjunction with the handling plan. This document has recently been revised and can be found at:

<http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/jobs/manuals/health-and-safety-manual/hazards/moving-and-handling-people?tab=downloads>

**Appendix F1** is for Adults and **Appendix F2** is for Children.

All people who require assistance with moving and handling should have this assessment completed and it should be kept where it is available to carers carrying out the hoisting activity.

It is available to any organisation that provides care services.

**If you require further assistance or clarification on the subject please contact:**

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