



January 23, 2008

Meeting with a hospital in Pittsburgh, PA

9:00 am appointment

PARASLYDE IN ACTION - PITTSBURGH

We arrived at the hospital around 9:00am to meet with the safety officer to discuss the ParaSlyde and talk about his hospital evacuation plans. While we were waiting in the lobby, we encountered a great opportunity to use the ParaSlyde. We met with the Grainger rep, and called to let him know we were in the lobby.

Whilst I was on the phone a lady in the lobby yelled out and said that someone had just fallen on the sidewalk in the front of the hospital. A doctor from the hospital happened to be close by and came to the lady's side to assist.

Security officers from the hospital were in a panic to try and find a wheelchair for them to transport the lady/patient to the emergency room. Nothing was readily available. The lady lying on the ground did not want to get up or move from the ground. (The temperature outside was about 15 degrees, so something had to be done) I told Skip to grab the ParaSlyde and let's go.

We asked the doctor if they would like to use the ParaSlyde he said sure. So we went to work. The doctor who was there supported the patients neck while we log-rolled her to one side, we slid the ParaSlyde under her and log-rolled her back the other direction while the doctor continued to support her head and neck. I strapped her in according to my training and with the help of the security guards and the doctor we began to drag her to the elevator.

Once we were at the elevator we pulled her inside. We went up one floor and then drug her down the hall all the way to the emergency room. After arriving at the emergency room they let us know which bed we could use. We drug the patient along side the ER bed and four of us used the orange handles and lifted the patient onto the bed.

Once the patient was on the bed we stepped out while the doctors continued to evaluate the patient to find out what had happened.

From the time we loaded the patient into the ParaSlyde and transported her to the emergency room was about 5 min. During the whole ordeal the doctor continued to ask her how she was feeling and if everything was fine. Her comments were; I feel great, this is comfortable and I feel safe and secure in here.

The ParaSlyde in action.

