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Ambulance Emergency

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Clinic Appointments

276-2400

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Community Resources

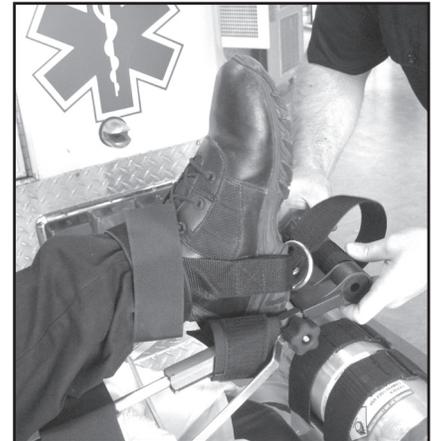
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Domestic Violence Help

276-2042

Hotline - 226-6424

EMS LEG TRACTION SPLINT



Paramedic instructor Scott Neu demonstrates traction splinting of a broken leg.

What is It?

QD Leg Traction Splint

Use:

The femur (thighbone) is the strongest bone in the body. In a fracture, the pieces may become displaced and overlap. A traction splint realigns the bone segments, reducing the patient's pain and discomfort on the way to the hospital.

How It Works:

The medic inserts the splint's frame under the leg, stabilizing the leg on the frame with four straps. An ankle hitch around the patient's ankle is attached to an aluminum ratchet. The medic applies traction by turning the ratchet. This action realigns the fracture and straightens the leg to normal length.

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