

A technician in sanitary emergencies patents a device to prevent lesions in victim assistance

LOCALIZACIÓN: Peñarroya-Pueblonuevo (Córdoba)
DURACIÓN VTR: 1'51''

SUMMARY: A new device for emergency situations has been invented; it has been designed for the extraction of accident victims. Until now, for extracting the victim there was only a traditional way in which face to face contact is inevitable and inconvenient as it implies the risk of contagion through wounds. With this device called DEPEV, the head and the cervical spine are completely immobilized to reduce the risk of vertebral fractures while the victim is being transported and to avoid causing more damage that end up in disability or even death. After ten years working as a technician in sanitary emergencies, its creator has already patented it in 199 countries. It may become part in the future of the mandatory equipment for ambulances.

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Accidents like these can change our life. Acting quick is not enough. Thanks to this long and flexible device, that it is placed between the chin and the nape, more serious damage can be avoided, that's the key.

JAVIER GIL

Technician in sanitary emergencies and DEPEV creator

"It is important for the patient that the neck is immobilized, being able to breath and easy to transport quickly. Those are the fundamentals."

Years of study and testing have made Javier develop this device for the extraction of people in a vital emergency. After 9 years assisting to victims in emergency situations, he thinks that a new advance in this field is needed.

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"In the critical moment of the assistance, which is touching the patient, this device would allow us to have homologated technical tools for guaranteeing the survival of the victim."

32 per cent of cervical lesions are produced in water, but the rest occur in traffic accidents like this one. Until now, for extracting the victim there was only a traditional way in which face to face contact is inevitable and inconvenient.

JUAN PABLO BRAVO

Manager of a sanitary transportation enterprise

"This involves a direct contact with the consequent risk of contact and the transmission of body fluids, blood and remains."

Something that could be erased with this new device, that counts already with international recognition and overall with the support of the medical scientific community.

JUAN ESPINOSA

CEO of Primary Assistance at the Guadiato Region

"I think it would be very useful because it makes easier working secure and with warranties. They are only a few seconds or sometimes minutes but they have a huge importance in warranting that the sequels of this action will be the minimum possible."



By the moment, this device is already patented in almost 200 countries and is waiting for an Sanitary Transportation European Commission to be established as part of the mandatory equipment, a bet for saving lives.

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