5-03/060.10 Transportation of Inmates

Some inmates who are not officially designated as special handle code "W (wheelchair)" (per Custody Division Manual (CDM) section 5-01/030.00 "Identification and Classification Symbols for Special Handling Inmates"), may require assistance when walking long distances within custody facilities. Custody personnel should make a reasonable attempt to accommodate these inmates through the use of wheelchairs, transportation chairs (wheelchair like devices with small wheels which do not allow inmates to push themselves), or gurneys.

The following are the only gurneys approved by Custody Support Services (CSS) for ordering by facilities for use within custody:

- The Mobi E Gurney
- The Ferno Model 28 Gurney

Both gurneys feature leg and shoulder safety straps which may be used for inmates who are at risk for falling out of the gurney, or for the safety of inmates who have been extracted per CDM section 7-01/050.05 "Inmate Extraction Procedures" and require medical treatment.

Gurneys may be used in either the flat position or the seated position; however, the seated position is the most convenient for transportation purposes.

Inmates utilizing a gurney in the seated position shall never be left unattended. The high center of gravity increases the risk of the gurney falling on its side if the inmate quickly shifts their weight.