AFH Benefits and Risks of a Hoyer Lift

Benefits:

* Comfort
* Safety
* Preference
* Assisting with mobility
* Transferring
* Repositioning
* Reassuring
* Toileting
* Emergency Evacuation

Precautions/Risks:

* Ensure brakes are locked on wheelchair when transferring
* Ensure straps are in place for lift; avoid swinging; ensure lift stays balanced
* Caution when lifting; ensure limbs/extremities are tucked in; may pinch hand in sling; caregiver secure hands for safety
* Avoid sudden movements
* Cue through ADL, when appropriate
* Anxiety (may or may not display); reassure resident is safe
* Widen base properly for safety; tipping hazard; do not leave unattended

By signing below, I understand the benefits and risks of using a Hoyer Lift and give my caregiver permission to use one for my ADL's (activities of daily living) and in emergencies.

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 Resident/Representative

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Provider/AFH Representative