

Involuntary transport is when a person is moved from one venue to another against their will.



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People with lived experience have told us that these things are important to remember:

- 1 Each staff/crew members' attitude impacts how safe others feel. 
- 2 Distressed, fearful and vulnerable humans are being transported, not cargo. 
- 3 Support sensory and communication needs. Planning is essential. 
- 4 Compassionate moment-by-moment interactions create safety. 
- 5 Risk is dynamic. There should always be ways to increase a person's choices during the journey. 
- 6 Restraint increases distress, risk of injury and death, **not** safety. 
- 7 Unintended harm can be caused during transfers. Explore what these might be and plan to minimise them. 
- 8 Basic human needs include food, drink, natural light and access to a toilet. These are not privileges. 

Do ask the question
"How can we support this person to feel safe and comfortable?"

Don't focus purely on risks and/or the "what ifs..." of a worst case scenario.

I felt punished, humiliated and degraded.



Involuntary transport can be a supportive, compassionate experience.

