## **EVACUATION SLEDS**

1. PULL the velcro strap and release the sled from the storage case.

- 2. OPEN the evacuation sled and lay it flat on the ground. Unclip all of the seat belts.
- 3. USING proper lifting techniques, lift and transfer the individual out of their wheelchair and onto the mat.

OR if the individual can walk, assist them into the prone position onto the mat.



4. TUCK the individual's feet into the opening at the bottom of the sled.

CONNECT the belts diagonally and tighten them to secure the individual. Straps should be tight but comfortable. Tuck away any loose straps.



- 5. TRANSPORT the individual down the stairs:
  - Position the individual's feet at the top of the stairs.
  - Have one person stand at the feet and one at the head.
  - Using the straps on both ends gently pull the individual down the stairs.

**DO NOT LIFT** - allow the mat to slide down the stairs.

 Continue pulling the individual out of the building to safety.

NOTE: This procedure can be performed with one person at the head to maneuver down the stairs.



CLEANING: Wipe down with a mild alcohol solution or soap and water solution. Allow to dry thoroughly before putting back into the wall mounted storage case.