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ABSTRACT

An apparatus and method for applying traction to a patient's penis includes at least one base member having a generally arcuate or circular periphery of sufficient dimension for the patient to insert the penis in the apparatus. At least one base member connector is positioned on the base member. A plurality of extension members is connected with the base member connector and extends distally therefrom so that at least one support member connected with the plurality of extension members is distally spaced apart from the base member, the support member having a surface for thereon supporting the penis. A retaining collar connected to the support member adjacent the support surface is positioned so as to at least partially encircle the shaft of the penis thereby securing the distal penis to the support member.

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