LTI 04: Crushed Finger

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What happened?:

A "U" shaped bar was being removed from a vibrator. One side had been unbolted and was loose; the other was jammed. A Hiab crane hook was attached to the bar on the stuck end. During lifting, the hook slid down the bar and raised the free end, trapping employee's finger between the base of the bar being removed and the cross-member.

Result:

- Crushed finger
- 15 days lost work

Learning:

- Inadequate Supervision
- Improper use of Hiab
- Could this be avoided?

