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Police: Wash. man severed own arm with guillotine

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[BELLINGHAM, Wash.](#) (AP) — Police in Bellingham, Wash., say a man who walked into a [medical clinic](#) with his right arm severed indicated he cut his own limb off with a homemade guillotine.

Officers checked a wooded area near the urology clinic Thursday and found the severed arm and guillotine in a transient camp. The victim and the arm were taken first to St. Joseph Hospital in Bellingham.

Police spokesman [Mark Young](#) says the man was later airlifted to [Harborview Medical Center](#) in Seattle in hopes the limb could be reattached. Young tells [The Bellingham Herald](#) the arm was severed above the elbow.

The victim was not identified. Harborview spokeswoman Susan Gregg-Hanson said the man is in serious condition Friday in the intensive care unit. She couldn't say whether his arm had been re-attached.

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