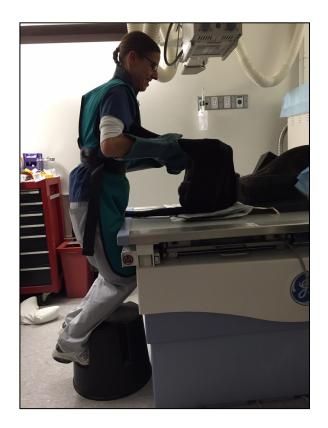
## Tips for positioning a large dog for PennHIP





If you stand on a stool and put the dogs' paws in your armpits, then apply medial force to the distal tibias you will be able to generate a lot more force than with your hands alone.

Some fine points:

- 1. Make sure the shadows of the femoral heads are entirely within the rods.
- 2. Keep the tibias parallel while performing the distraction maneuver...this is VERY important.
- 3. Try to avoid rotating the tibia about their long axes. If the fibula are prominently projected out, this means the tibia are internally rotated.
- 4. Try to keep the tibial tuberosities pointing toward the ceiling while performing distraction.

Please make sure to closely review the images before waking the patient to ensure that there is a visible difference between the compression and distraction views. Take as many views as needed to ensure this is achieved and submit everything.