



OROTRACHEAL INTUBATION

Name: _____ Examiner: _____ Date: _____

	Points Possible	Points Awarded
NOTE: Examiner acts as provider's assistant and correctly carries out orders as directed.		
Verbalizes/demonstrates appropriate infection control precautions.	1	
Ventilates patient with bag-mask using oropharyngeal airway*	1	
Auscultates bilateral lung sounds to establish baseline*	1	
Directs assistant to pre-oxygenate the patient	1	
Identifies/selects the appropriate equipment	1	
Checks equipment for cuff leaks; ensures that the light is bright and secure (1 pt each); if a stylet is used, ensures that it does not protrude from the end of the tube. Prepares endotracheal tube introducer if used.*	2	
Positions the patient's head in a sniffing position	1	
Opens the patient's mouth, inspects the oral cavity, removes dentures and/or debris*	1	
Holds the laryngoscope in the left hand; inserts the blade into the right side of the mouth; sweeps the tongue to the left and brings the laryngoscope to the midline	1	
Lifts the laryngoscope to elevate the mandible without putting pressure on the front teeth; advances the tip of the curved blade into the vallecula or the straight blade under the epiglottis; exposes the glottic opening*	1	
Places introducer into the pharynx and directs into larynx. Leaves laryngoscope in place while assistant threads endotracheal tube over introducer into trachea.*	1	
Holds the endotracheal tube firmly in place and gently withdraws the introducer. Inflates the distal cuff to the proper pressure (5-10 mL), and disconnects the syringe from the pilot valve*	2	
Directs ventilation of the patient through the ET tube*	1	
Confirms proper placement by: 1) auscultation over the epigastrium and 2) bilaterally over each lung; 3) measuring ET _{CO₂} with capnography device; assessing for 4) ventilation compliance, 5) fogging of the ET tube; 6) chest rise/fall; 7) noting the depth (cm marking) of the tube at the teeth.*	7	
Secures the ET tube in place with a commercial device*	1	
Does not exceed 30 seconds from ventilation to ventilation for each intubation attempt*	1	
Reevaluates the patient's vital signs, color, ECG, level of consciousness	1	
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Critical Criteria

- _____ Interrupts ventilations for greater than 30 seconds at any time
- _____ Failure to voice and ultimately provide high oxygen concentrations [at least 85%]
- _____ Failure to ventilate patient at a rate of 10 - 12 / minute
- _____ Failure to provide adequate volumes per breath [maximum 2 errors/minute permissible]
- _____ Failure to successfully intubate within 2 attempts
- _____ Failure to disconnect syringe immediately after inflating cuff of ET tube
- _____ Uses teeth as a fulcrum
- _____ Failure to assure proper tube placement by auscultation bilaterally and over the epigastrium
- _____ Failure to assure proper placement using waveform capnography
- _____ Inserts any adjunct in a manner dangerous to the patient
- _____ Exhibits unacceptable affect with patient or other personnel
- _____ Uses or orders a dangerous or inappropriate intervention