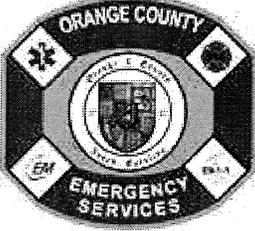


<p><u>Policy Name:</u></p> <p>Video Laryngoscopy</p>		<p><u>Department:</u></p> <p>Orange County Emergency Services</p>
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Policy:

EMS providers should use video laryngoscopy in a manner consistent with the Adult Airway and Adult Failed Airway Protocols. The EMS provider shall follow the video laryngoscopy procedure to facilitate appropriate and timely airway management when Bag Valve Mask (BVM) management is inadequate. This policy provides guidance to the inventory and maintenance of the video laryngoscopy device.

Scope:

This policy shall apply to all credentialed personnel within the Orange County Emergency Services system whose scope of practice allows for the use of video laryngoscopy.

Clinical Indications

Refer to Procedure: "Airway: Video Laryngoscopy" for specific indications and contraindications. Indications and contraindications shall be used in conjunction with Orange County Emergency Services policies, procedures, and protocols.

Recording and Uploading:

- Prior to insertion of the blade into the mouth of the patient, the provider shall ensure that the video laryngoscope is recording the intubation attempt. The Airtraq Cameras are set to automatically record when attached to the laryngoscope blade, however providers shall ensure that the **REC** is visible at the top of the screen and that the Airtraq Camera is recording. All recordings shall be saved to the appropriate location as designated by the Quality Assurance/Quality Management (QA/QM) officer and/or their designee. Failure to record an attempt shall be reported to the QA/QM officer and/or their designee as soon as possible.

- Each Sunday, the video laryngoscope device shall be inspected to ensure adequate operation and the device charged completely.

Disassembly and Disposal:

- The Airtraq Laryngoscope Blade is a single use device.
- Separate the Airtraq Camera from the blade by gently pulling up on the Airtraq Camera.
- Remove the battery cover by pulling it away from the main body of the blade.
- Remove the batteries so that they may be properly recycled.
- Discard the Airtraq Laryngoscope Blade as any other potentially contaminated waste.

Cleaning:

- The Airtraq Camera shall be cleaned after every use. At a minimum, and with proper body substance isolations, remove all visible contaminant or foreign matter from the outside of the silicon case using only 70% Isopropyl Alcohol (Alcohol Wipes). You cannot use germicidal wipes on the silicon case. Allow the alcohol to evaporate completely.
- In the event that the Airtraq Camera is contaminated below the silicon case use proper body substance isolations and gently remove the silicon case from the Airtraq Camera.
- As above use only 70% Isopropyl Alcohol (Alcohol Wipes) to clean the silicon case. The Airtraq Camera can only be cleaned with PDI Sani-Cloth disposable germicidal wipes that are currently carried on the EMS units. Blot the Airtraq Camera dry with a clean towel.
- Do not rinse the Airtraq Camera under running water.
- Do not soak the Airtraq Camera in liquids.
- Avoid liquid or moisture from entering the Airtraq Camera.
- Avoid touching or contaminating the Airtraq Camera lens. If contaminated use a lens/eyeglass cloth to clean.
- Clean the Airtraq Camera touchscreen periodically with a lens/eyeglass cloth.