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1. PATIENT INFORMATION

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

 PHONE Home Mobile Work Home Mobile Work

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

 Male Female

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ GENDER _____

2. PHYSICIAN & HOSPITAL INFORMATION

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

PROFESSIONAL TITLE AND SPECIALITY _____

HOSPITAL/FACILITY _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PATIENT'S MEDICAL RECORD NUMBER _____

3. DIFFICULT AIRWAY/INTUBATION EVENT DETAILS
WHAT WAS THE OPERATIVE PROCEDURE AND DATE?

PROCEDURE _____ MO/DAY/YR _____

WAS THE OPERATIVE PROCEDURE ELECTIVE OR NON-ELECTIVE?
 Elective Non-elective

WHERE DID THE DIFFICULT AIRWAY/INTUBATION EVENT OCCUR?

- Hospital operating room
- Post-anesthesia care unit/recovery room
- Intensive care unit
- Emergency department
- Nursing unit or ward
- Remote hospital procedure site
- Ambulatory surgery center
- Other _____

PATIENT HEIGHT AND WEIGHT

HEIGHT (IN. OR CM.) _____ WEIGHT (LB. OR KG.) _____

ASA PHYSICAL STATUS

- ASA physical status I (normal healthy patient)
- ASA physical status II (patient with mild systemic disease)
- ASA physical status III (patient with severe systemic disease)
- ASA physical status IV (patient with severe systemic disease that is constant threat to life)
- ASA physical status V (moribund patient who is not expected to survive without the operation)
- ASA physical status E (emergency procedure)

WHAT TYPE OF MONITORING WAS USED?

- Capnography
 - Color-change/colorimetric
 - Digital
 - Waveform
- Oximetry
- None

WAS DIFFICULT AIRWAY/INTUBATION ANTICIPATED?
 Yes No

IF ANTICIPATED, HOW?

- airway history given by patient
- airway history given by family
- prior anesthesia record
- prior ENT surgery
- prior head and neck radiation
- prior airway pathology
- documentation in patient's medical record
- diagnostic tests
- consultations
- current physical examination
- radiation changes
- other _____

WHAT TYPE OF DIFFICULTY WAS ENCOUNTERED? SELECT ALL THAT APPLY.

- Mask/ventilation
- Supraglottic Airway (SGA)
- Intubation
- Extubation
- Other _____

WHAT PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS WERE RELATED TO THE DIFFICULT AIRWAY/INTUBATION? SELECT ALL THAT APPLY.

- small mouth opening
- temporomandibular joint
- prognathism
- limited mandibular protrusion
- beard
- large tongue
- dentition/large teeth
- edentulous
- redundant or edematous tissue
- hypertrophied lingual tonsils
- anterior/superior larynx
- limited neck extension
- plastic surg implant in face/neck
- neck circumference
- short thyromental distance
- C-spine instability
- distorted ENT anatomy
- Obesity
- Obstructive sleep apnea
- Infection
- Pediatric syndrome
- Pregnancy
- Other _____

MOUTH OPENING

- 1 fingerbreadth
- 2 fingerbreadths
- 3 fingerbreadths

THYROMENTAL DISTANCE

- 1 fingerbreadth
- 2 fingerbreadths
- 3 fingerbreadths

NECK EXTENSION

- Full
- Limited, >35 degrees
- Limited, <35 degrees

MODIFIED MALLAMPATI CLASS

- Modified Mallampati Class I (soft palate, uvula, fauces, pillars, visible)
- Modified Mallampati Class II (soft palate, uvula, fauces visible)
- Modified Mallampati Class III (soft palate, base of uvula visible)
- Modified Mallampati Class IV (only hard palate visible)



KHETERPAL MASK VENTILATION GRADE (IF ATTEMPTED)

- Kheterpal mask ventilation grade 1 (ventilated by mask)
 - Spontaneous
- Kheterpal mask ventilation grade 2 (ventilated by mask with oral airway/ adjuvant with or without muscle relaxant)
 - Muscle relaxant
- Kheterpal mask ventilation grade 3 (difficult ventilation [inadequate, unstable, or requiring 2 providers] with or without muscle relaxant)
 - Muscle relaxant
- Kheterpal mask ventilation grade 4 (unable to mask ventilate with or without muscle relaxant)
 - Muscle relaxant

MODIFIED CORMACK-LEHANE GRADE

- Grade 1 – most of glottic opening is visible
- Grade 2 - only posterior portion of the glottis or only arytenoid cartilages are visible
- Grade 3 – only the epiglottis is visible
- Grade 4 – neither glottis nor epiglottis is visible



4. SUCCESSFUL EQUIPMENT TECHNIQUES

WHAT EQUIPMENT/TECHNIQUES WERE SUCCESSFUL IN THE PATIENT'S AIRWAY MANAGEMENT? SELECT ALL THAT APPLY.

- Awake
- Asleep
- Face mask ventilation
- Oral airway
- Nasal airway
- Supraglottic airway (SGA)/extraglottic device (EGD)
 - Intubating supraglottic airway

- Direct laryngoscope
 - Macintosh (Size: 1 2 3 4)
 - Miller (Size: 1 2 3 4)
 - Other _____
- Video laryngoscope (Size: 1 2 3 4)
- Flexible fiberoptic bronchoscope
 - Oral
 - Nasal
- Endotracheal introducer
 - Aintree exchange catheter
 - Optical stylet _____

- Rigid fiberoptic laryngoscope _____
- Operative laryngoscope/Rigid laryngoscope
 - Holinger
 - Dedo
- Rigid bronchoscope
- Retrograde intubation set
- Cricothyrotomy
- Tracheotomy
- Percutaneous tracheostomy
- Other _____

5. UNSUCCESSFUL EQUIPMENT TECHNIQUES

WHAT EQUIPMENT/TECHNIQUES WERE UNSUCCESSFUL IN THE PATIENT'S AIRWAY MANAGEMENT? SELECT ALL THAT APPLY.

- None
- Number of attempts 1 2 >3
- Awake
- Asleep
- Face mask ventilation
- Oral airway
- Nasal airway
- Supraglottic airway (SGA)/extraglottic device (EGD)
 - Intubating supraglottic airway
- Direct laryngoscope
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- Other _____

ESTIMATED TIME FOR AIRWAY MANAGEMENT

- 0-15 minutes
- 15-30 minutes
- 30-60 minutes
- Longer than 60 minutes

6. PATIENT OUTCOME

WHAT WAS THE PATIENT OUTCOME? SELECT ALL THAT APPLY. FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES ONLY.

- Airway secured and procedure completed
- Airway secured but procedure cancelled
- No adverse outcome
- Cancelled procedure
- Desaturation

- Aspiration
- Cardiovascular compromise/arrest
- Cricothyrotomy
- Tracheotomy
- Percutaneous tracheostomy
- Dental trauma
- Soft tissue or nasal trauma

- Esophageal trauma
- Laryngeal trauma
- Vocal cord trauma
- Tracheal trauma
- Barotrauma
- Hemorrhage
- Other _____

7. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

8. FINAL RECOMMENDATION

FINAL COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COLLEAGUES?