

**Harbor-UCLA Department of Emergency Medicine  
Procedure Competency Form  
Endotracheal Intubation – PGY-2 (medical), PGY-3 (trauma), and PGY-4 (complex)**

Resident: \_\_\_\_\_

Observing Faculty: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult    Pediatric    Medical    Trauma

**Pre-Procedure:**

- Recognizes need for intubation and can verbalize reasoning
- Informs patient/family of procedure including risks and benefits and obtains verbal/written consent as appropriate
- Evaluates airway for potential difficulty
- Addresses potential difficulty with appropriate plan for intubation (backup plan as indicated)
- Observes universal precautions
- Prepares appropriately
  - Checks equipment necessary for procedure
  - Checks blade light, balloon on ETT, suction, notifies respiratory)
  - Positions patient appropriately
  - Assures patient on cardiac monitor / O2 sat monitor / IV functional
- Preoxygenates patient
- Orders appropriate medications and doses and can explain rationale for use

**Procedure:**

- Acts as the team leader and gives orders appropriately in sequence
- Paralytics with induction
  - Gives appropriate induction agent
  - Gives appropriate paralytic agent
- Knows when to initiate intubation attempt
- Manual dexterity with blade appropriate
- Addresses problems during the intubation appropriately
- Passes ET tube appropriately
- Recognizes need to abort attempt and re-oxygenate

**Post Procedure:** intubation successful?    Yes    No

**If Yes:**

- Checks end-tidal CO2 and is able to interpret findings
- Secures ET tube
- Listens to chest
  - Cognizant of placement of tube (not right mainstem)
- Orders chest x-ray, assesses patient clinically

- Order post-intubation ventilator settings
  - Can explain why settings chosen in particular patient
- Orders post-intubation sedation
- Discusses procedure outcome with family

If unsuccessful:

- Recognizes placement error
- Formulates plan to deal with airway

Overall:

- Procedure note written

**Assessment:**    **Not independent**                    **Independent**                    **Expert**

**Comments:**

**Faculty Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_