SIERRA-SACRAMENTO VALLEY EMS AGENCY PROGRAM POLICY

REFERENCE NO. 1110-L

SUBJECT: INFREQUENTLY USED SKILLS – VERIFICATION OF MAINTENANCE

PEDIATRIC ENDOTRACHEAL INTUBATION ANNUAL SKILLS VERIFICATION NAME _____ DATE _____ ALS AGENCY _____ EVALUATOR _____

OBJECTIVE: The candidate will demonstrate the ability to correctly intubate the trachea, and ventilate within an acceptable time frame.

EQUIPMENT: Pediatric intubation manikin, towel roll, endotracheal tubes, laryngoscope handle, pediatric laryngoscope blades, malleable stylet, 10 ml syringe, tape or tube holder, stethoscope, BVM, suction device, End tidal CO_2 detection device and / or Esophageal Detector Device (EDD), lubricant for manikin, PPE.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND CONDITIONS: The candidate will be presented with an intubation manikin on which ventilation is being performed with a BVM and an OPA is already in place. An EMT trained rescuer is available to assist with ventilating the patient. The candidate should correctly intubate the patient.

	EVENT	DOES	DOES NOT
1.	States the proper size of tube to use for the patient • Use of length based tape or other approved method		
2.	 States indication for pediatric intubation Only if bag-valve-mask ventilation is unsuccessful or impossible 		
3.	States or demonstrates the use of appropriate PPE		
4.	Ensures patient is pre-oxygenated with 100% oxygen		
5.	Checks ET cuff by inflating it with appropriate amount of air		
6.	Attaches laryngoscope blade to handle and checks light		
7.	Ensures suction device is available and working		
8.	If stylet is used, inserts it so end is not protruding past end of endotracheal tube		
9.	Places patient's head in correct position for pediatric intubation including placing a towel roll under the patients scapula		
10.	Instructs rescuer to stop ventilations		
11.	Inserts blade into mouth while displacing tongue		
12.	Applies upward lifting action with laryngoscope WITHOUT using manikin's teeth as a fulcrum		

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EVENT	DOES	DOES NOT
13. Visualizes glottic opening		
14. Inserts ET tube from right pharynx, passing the tube through the glottic opening		
15. Removes laryngoscope		
16. Inflates cuff with sufficient volume of air to ensure a seal (5-10 ml) and disconnects syringe immediately		
17. Attaches BVM to ET tube and ventilates		
18. Confirms placement and ventilation by observing chest rise, auscultation over the epigastrium, and bilaterally over each lung		
19. Confirms tube placement with Capnography or Esophageal Detector Device (EDD) and C0 ₂ detection device		
20. Each intubation attempt should take no longer than 30 seconds.		
21. Properly secures ET tube using tape or tube holder		
22. Reevaluates tube placement after each patient movement		