



SKILLS COMPETENCY VERIFICATION: SUPRAGLOTTIC AIRWAY (i-gel®) FORM

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

ALS AGENCY: _____

EVALUATOR: _____

OBJECTIVE

The candidate will demonstrate the ability to correctly place an i-gel® supraglottic airway, and ventilate within an acceptable time frame.

EQUIPMENT

Adult and pediatric intubation manikin, i-gel® airway, tape or tube holder, stethoscope Bag-Valve-Mask (BVM), End-tidal Carbon Dioxide (EtCO₂) detection device, lubricant appropriate for manikin, suction device, and appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (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 Oropharyngeal Airway (OPA) is already in place. An Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) trained rescuer is available to assist with ventilating the patient. The candidate will correctly place the i-gel airway and ventilate the patient.

EVENT	DOES	DOES NOT
1. States the proper size of tube to use for the patient.		
2. States indications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respiratory arrest or severe compromise and unable to adequately ventilate with BVM. 		
3. States contraindications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conscious patient with a gag reflex • Extensive airway burns • Laryngectomy with stoma 		
4. States or demonstrates the use of appropriate PPE.		
5. Ensures patient is pre-oxygenated with one hundred percent (100%) Oxygen (O ₂).		
6. Checks/prepares the device.		
7. Lubricates the device (may be verbalized).		
8. Positions the head properly (sniffing position). Applies gentle downward pressure to the chin.		
9. Introduces the leading soft tip into the mouth in a direction towards the hard palate.		
10. Glides the device downward and backwards along the hard palate with a continuous but gentle push.		



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11. Stops advancement of the device when a definitive resistance is felt.		
12. Inspects the position of the teeth in relation to the integral bite-block.		
13. Confirms device placement and ventilations by observing chest rise, auscultation over epigastrium, and bilaterally over each lung.		
14. Confirms tube placement with Capnography or EtCO ₂ detection device.		
15. Each attempt should last no longer than fifteen (15) seconds.		
16. Properly secures the device using tape or tube holder.		