

PMV (Passy Muir Valve) Competency

Name:	Department:
Unit:	Date:
SC=Successful Completion	USC=Unsuccessful Completion with immediate remediation

Perfor	mance Criteria	SC	USC
1.	Assess patient for readiness to participate in Passy-Muir Trials (PMV)		
	a. Minimum 48 hours post trach placement		
	b. Awake and responsive		
	c. Able to tolerate cuff deflation		
	d. Does not have a copious amount or very thick secretions		
	e. Vital signs are stable		
2.	Obtain physician's order for PMV		
3.	Gather equipment		
	a. PMV		
	b. 10 cc syringe		
	c. Affix warning label to pilot balloon		
	d. Label storage container		
	e. In-line Placement- Blue tubing and 15x22 step down adaptor		
4.	Educate Patient/Family		
5.	Note Patient's Baseline Status		
	Patient positioning ensures optimal tracheostomy tube positioning		
7.	Suction Patient		
	Deflate Cuff		
	ReSuction as needed		
8.	Place PMV on trach or in-line with vent		
	(For Vent Placement – Remove HME and attach to in-line suction catheter		
	using 15mm x 22mm step-down adapter)		
9.	Ventilator Adjustments as needed (RT only)		
	a. Reduce or Eliminate PEEP		
	b. Adjustments as needed to assure patient comfort and Stability		
	o Compensation for cuff deflation as needed by increasing Tidal Volume		
	(Vt) in small increments to achieve pre-cuff deflation pressures (PIP)		
	o Use low pressure alarm as disconnect/indirect low exhaled Vt alarm		
	(set above 10cm H20)		
	o Set high pressure limit appropriately (10 – 15cm H20 above the PIP)		
	o Adjust to Pressure versus Flow trigger		
	o For Pressure Support- Use E-Sense, inspiratory cycle off, or set I-time to		
	time limit PS breath		
10	Monitor PMV tolerance		
	Watch for signs of fatigue, hemodynamic changes and SPO2 changes		

11. Discontinue PMV trial if patient shows signs of respiratory distress or a	
significant change from baseline status	
12. Remove PMV	
o If in-line placement replace HME	
o For trach placement re-inflate cuff if necessary	
13. Adjust vent to previous settings (RT Only), and reinflate cuff	
14. Document PMV trial and patient tolerance	
15. PMV Cleaning:	
Wash with mild soap and warm water and place in storage container. Air	
dry.	
16. Clinician aware of PMV Trouble Shooting	
17. Clinician aware of PMV Contraindications	
O Foam-cuffed tracheostomy tube	
O Severe Upper Airway Obstruction	
o Medical Instability	
o Severe Aspiration Risk	
Competency successfully completed:YesNo	
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