



Speaking Valve Use with Tracheostomy and Mechanical Ventilation: Now, We're Talking!



Presented by PassyMuir®

May 29th, 2026, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. PST

San Jose State University Department of Communicative Disorders, Sweeney Hall, One Washington Square, San Jose, CA 95192

Imagine restoring a patient's voice and improving their quality of life — even while they are on a ventilator. In this interactive, hands-on seminar, you'll progress from foundational knowledge of tracheostomy and airway management to advanced assessment, placement, and troubleshooting of no-leak speaking valves. Through lectures, demonstrations, case studies, and mock assessments, you'll learn to confidently assess, implement, and optimize Valve use for patients both with and without mechanical ventilation. By the end, you'll be equipped with the clinical skills and strategies to enhance communication, airway safety, and patient outcomes in your practice. *8 hours continuing education credits.*

Bonus education opportunity: Registered seminar attendees will be granted access to a pre-recorded webinar, *Fundamentals: Tracheostomy Tubes to Mechanical Ventilation*. This webinar is only available to seminar attendees and provides an overview of the basics of a tracheostomy tube, cuff management with inflation and deflation, and basic vent terminology. It is highly recommended that attendees view the webinar prior to the in-person seminar. To receive continuing education for the webinar, attendees complete the course, quiz, and evaluation, in addition to the seminar evaluation. *1 hour continuing education credit.*

This seminar is designed for:

- Respiratory Therapists
- Speech-Language Pathologists
- Nurses
- Physicians
- Any other healthcare professionals who work with this patient population

\$149 Early Bird Registration by 5/1/26
\$199 Registration after 5/1/26

For more information or to register:
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This course is offered for 0.8 ASHA CEUs (Intermediate level)



Passy-Muir, Inc. is an approved provider of continuing education through AAC and the California Board of Nursing. This course is offered for 8 contact hours of continuing education.

AGENDA

9:00 – 10:00	Assessment and Placement with Demonstration - Non-Vent
10:00 – 11:30	Breakout Sessions - Trach Tubes, Cuff Management, and Mock Assessment
11:30 – 12:00	Troubleshooting and Treatment with Case Study
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch & Learn: Discussion and Panel/Round Table
1:00 – 2:15	Basics of Ventilator Application of the No-leak Valve with Case Studies
2:15 – 3:45	Breakout Sessions - Ventilator Application, Parts and Pieces, and Mock Assessment
3:45 – 4:45	Trachlore, Barriers and More
4:45 – 5:00	Summary Discussion, Q&A, and Adjournment

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PASSY MUIR SEMINARS ARE HOSTED BY OUR EXPERT CLINICIANS**Kristin King, PhD, CCC-SLP**

With over 25 years of experience in medical settings, academia, and industry, Dr. King brings a unique perspective to the care of patients with medical diagnoses. Her experience included a clinical focus on critical care and trauma, with an emphasis on TBI and trach/vent patients. As a professor, she conducted research and published in peer-reviewed journals on TBI and swallowing disorders. She continues her career by working in industry to improve patient outcomes through the development of multi-media education and participating in product development and regulatory requirements for medical devices. She is the host of the CAM Podcast for Passy Muir, editor of *Aerodigestive Health* by Passy Muir, and contributes regularly at the state, national, and international levels for both speaking and clinical papers. She also is co-editor of the book *Tracheostomy and Ventilator Dependence in Adults and Children: Learning Through Case Studies*.

Speaker Disclosure Information: Kristin King is the full-time Vice President of Clinical Education and Research for Passy Muir. She has no relevant non-financial relationship to disclose.

**Gabriella Ortiz, BSRT, RCP**

Gabriela Ortiz earned her Respiratory Care Practitioner license in 2006. She has extensive experience managing patients at different stages of care, including acute, sub-acute, sleep therapy, and homecare. As the Respiratory Clinical Director and General Manager at a respiratory care provider, Gabriela managed all company operations, including patient assessment and case management for pediatric and adult patient populations. Through her clinical knowledge, Gabriela advanced into clinical training and sales for critical care ventilation products for the ICU and PICU within acute and subacute hospitals. Gabriela combines her clinical experiences to support others through education, and she is an invited speaker for educational institutions, state and national conferences, Better Breather's Club, and ALS support groups. She has authored and co-authored multiple clinical papers, including peer-reviewed, on respiratory topics such as the progression of ALS, effects of a tracheostomy in neonates, and respiratory care plans for patients in homecare. Gabriela is currently a full-time Clinical Specialist with Passy-Muir, Inc.

Speaker Disclosure Information: Gabriella Ortiz is a full-time clinical specialist for Passy Muir. She has no relevant non-financial relationship to disclose.

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