



## **Core Training Requirements for Airway Devices not requiring Visualization of Vocal Cords and not introduced Endotracheally**

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### **Objectives**

Approved training for use of airway devices not requiring visualization of vocal cords and not introduced endotracheally (supraglottic) must address, at a minimum, the following objectives, unless otherwise directed by SCoP. Members are responsible for ensuring they have taken the initial training before they are permitted to perform this skill.

#### Lecture:

1. Explain the purposes of and indications for the supraglottic airway device.
2. Describe the indications, contraindications, precautions, for the supraglottic airway device.

#### Lab:

1. Perform sizing procedures for the supraglottic airway device.
2. Perform insertion of the supraglottic airway devices.

### **Assessment**

The assessment should reflect the following critical factors inherent in the demonstration of skills, knowledge, and abilities:

- Consistency (the ability to repeat practice techniques and outcomes)
- Independence (the ability to practice without assistance from others)
- Timeliness (the ability to practice in a time frame that enhances patient safety)
- Accuracy (the ability to practice utilizing correct techniques and to achieve intended outcomes)
- Appropriateness (the ability to practice in accordance with clinical standards and Saskatchewan protocols)

Approved training will include individual assessment of the following factors:

Written: Optional

Practical:

1. Given a simulated patient, independently demonstrate more than once, the correct sizing procedures applicable to the appropriate patient's age for the supraglottic airway device.
2. Given a simulated patient, independently demonstrate more than once, the correct and timely insertion for the appropriate patient' age for the supraglottic airway



device.

### **Instructor Qualifications**

Training will be provided by a health care practitioner at the level of the practitioner or higher and who has been trained in and is familiar with use of airway devices not requiring visualization of vocal cords and not introduced endotracheally.

### **Recertification**

Skill assessment must be completed at least every two years as part of the SCoP Continuing Medical Education requirements.

### **Record Keeping**

A copy of the course outline and/or presentation and assessment test and/or checklist for each participant should be kept on the instructor or agency file for five years and could be subject to audit by the College.

The approved instructor can indicate proficiency and competency by issuing a certificate indicating successful completion.

### **Recertification**

The employer should establish policies regarding how often retraining should occur. Members are required to produce evidence of training for up to five years.