

Continuing Education QUIZ (1.0 hour CEU)

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Comparison of Bougie-Assisted Intubation with Traditional Endotracheal Intubation in a Simulated Difficult Airway

- 1) The bougie, or endotracheal tube introducer, is a useful adjunct to direct laryngoscopy due to all of the following **EXCEPT**:

- More flexible than malleable style
- Smaller caliber than ETT
- Easier to insert into partially visualized glottis
- As successful as fiberoptic stylet with increased expense

- 2) EMS personnel when faced with difficult airways have contingent or backup plans which may include secondary or rescue devices in lieu of ETT or adjuncts that may facilitate successful ETT placement.

With regards to use of adjuncts and EMS providers, which of the following is true?

- Difficult airway management is beyond the scope of EMS providers and does not require experience with adjuncts to facilitate ETT placement.
- Adjuncts significantly increase time to successful intubation.
- Bougie-assisted intubation does not significantly increase successful ETT placement when used in difficult airways.
- Obtaining an airway secured with an ETT is ideal for prolonged airway management.
- Bougie-assisted intubation has been found to be more difficult than traditional laryngoscopy.

- 3) Causes of difficult intubation include all of the following **EXCEPT**:

- Limited mouth opening
- Short neck
- Foreign body in airway
- Prominent underbite

- 4) Bougie-assisted intubation is a valuable skill for EMS providers due to all of the following **EXCEPT**:

- Utilizes existing skills of laryngoscopy
- Inexpensive adjunct for ETT placement
- Requires extensive training
- Increases successful ETT placement with cervical spine immobilization and patient positioning on the ground
- Has been proven to be an effective adjunct in anesthesia setting