

Emergency Surgical Airway Evaluation

Resident: _____

Date: _____

Step		Satisfactory		Comments	
Identifies correct incision site - cricothyroid membrane		Y	N		
Makes an adequate length incision (longitudinal or transverse)		Y	N		
Sharply or bluntly dissects through subcutaneous tissue		Y	N		
Punctures cricothyroid with scalpel		Y	N		
Dilates airway with back of scalpel, hemastat or finger		Y	N		
Maintains control of airway opening		Y	N		
Inserts endotracheal tube into airway		Y	N		
Avoids placing tube too far (places tube just past balloon)		Y	N		
Verifies position with ventilation, auscultation, and ETCO2 monitor		Y	N		
Time to complete task		_____ Seconds			
Economy of Time and Motion	1	2	3	4	5
	Many unnecessary / disorganized movements	Organized time / motion, some unnecessary movement		Maximum economy of movement and efficiency	
Final Rating		Other Summative Comments			
<input type="radio"/> Demonstrates competence <input type="radio"/> Requires further practice		Evaluator _____			