

## EMS System for Metropolitan Oklahoma City and Tulsa 2017 Medical Control Board Treatment Protocols

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## PROTOCOL 17E: Advanced Airway Management: Pediatric Oral Intubation

EMT-INTERMEDIATE 85
ADVANCED EMT
PARAMEDIC

Orotracheal intubation authorized for pediatric patients utilizing same protocols for adult patients.

## Technique Comments:

- 1. Avoid hyperextension of neck during intubation attempts. This positioning compromises glottic visualization.
- 2. Endotracheal tube size can be determined using the formula 16 + age in years/4 or using a tube roughly the diameter of the patient's little finger, (5<sup>th</sup> digit).
- 3. The Flex-Guide is **<u>NOT</u>** compatible with pediatric endotracheal tubes.