FLOW SAFE ® CPAP

MCHENRY WESTERN LAKE COUNTY EMS

CPAP Device: Why change?

- OLD: Oxy-PEEP
- Does not allow
- Meds via nebulizer
- PEEP measurement
- Shortages/recalls
- Packaged in lg box
- Headstrap may be uncomfortable & challenging to use
- 3 settings

- New: Flow-Safe
- Easier to repeat NTG
- Nebulizer can be used
- Actual PEEP measured
- Leaks detected
- Smaller package
- Comfortable headstrap
- 1 setting

Just a reminder...how it works

- CPAP works by "splinting" the lungs with a constant pressure of air
- This reduces work of breathing
- In CHF, forces excess fluid out of alveoli & interstitial space back into the vasculature
- Also decreases venous return to the heart thereby lessening its workload
- Bottom line: Takes patients close to needing intubation & rapidly reverses their condition avoiding complications & death





CPAP

- No Change
 - **OSOP**
 - Indications
 - Contraindications

- Change
 - Device
 - Procedural steps

CPAP

Indications

- Heart Failure acute
- Asthma/COPD severe
- Drowning near
- Flail chest (w/o pneumothorax)

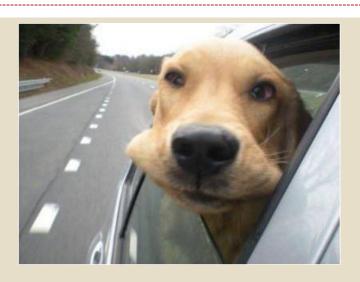
Contraindications

- Airway
 - Unable to obtain adequate seal
 - Facial anomalies/injury
- Breathing
 - Inadequate resp rate/effort
 - Pneumothorax
 - Penetrating chest trauma
- Circulation
 - SBP < 90 mmHg / DBP < 60</p>
- Disability Consciousness
 - Decreased LOC
 - Unable to follow commands
- GI
 - Aspiration risk
 - Gastric distention
 - Vomiting
- Pregnant

THIS IS HOW CPAP FEELS TO THE PATIENT!!

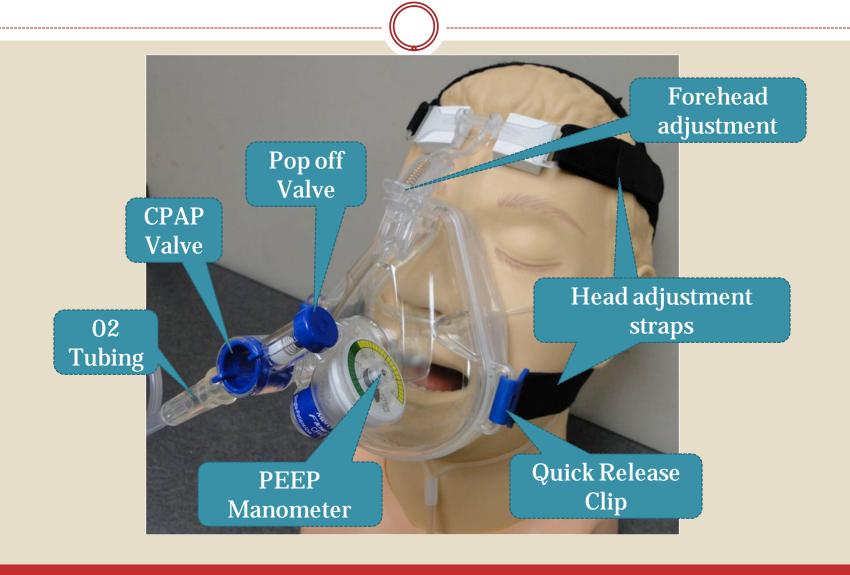








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OXYGEN FLOW RATE = PEEP

- 15 L = approx 3-4 cm H2O PEEP
- 20 L = approx 6-7 cm H2O PEEP
- 25 L = approx 8.5-10 cm H2O PEEP



TITRATE PEEP TO PATIENT'S WORK OF BREATHING

OLD PROCEDURE

- PEEP started at 10cm H2O
- Not titrated to work of breathing

NEW PROCEDURE

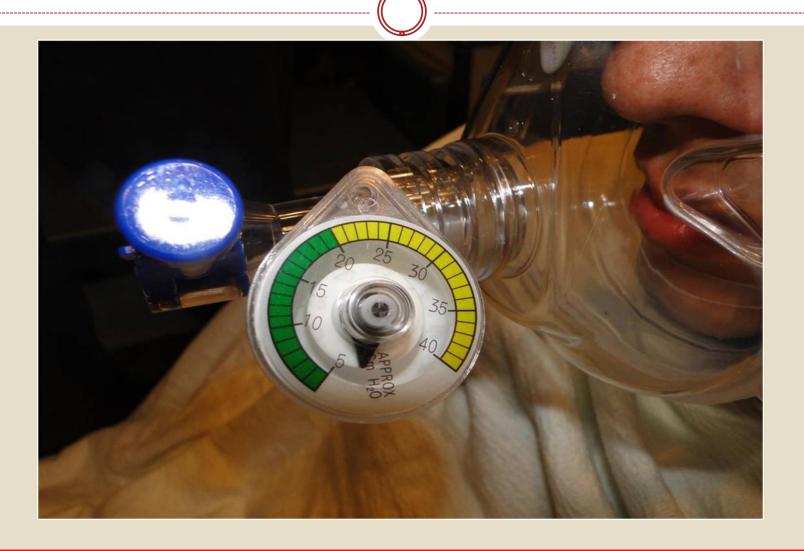
- START AT 15 L
 WHICH EQUALS 3-4
 cm H2O PEEP
- Titrate up to patient response (decreased work of breathing)
- Maximum PEEP 25 L or8.5 10 cm H2O PEEP

Flow-Safe® CPAP --- PEEP

- Pressure manometer
 between CPAP valve & face mask
 measures actual PEEP being delivered
- Leak in system
 (e.g., lack of tight face-mask seal) will affect PEEP



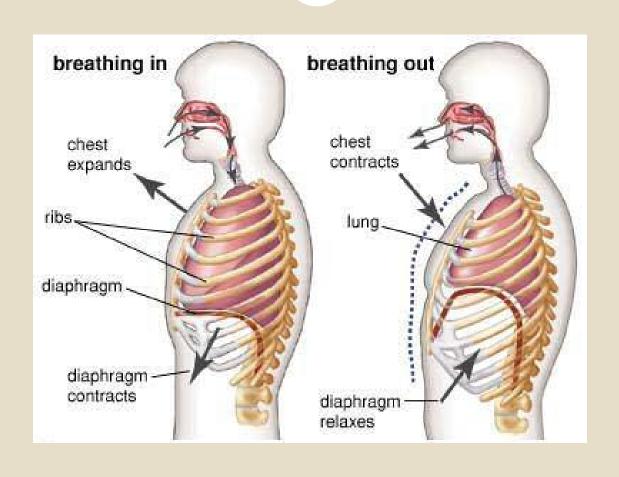
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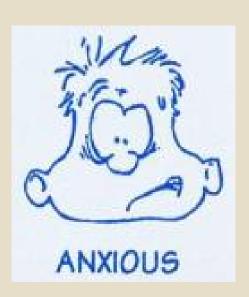
Assess PEEP as patient exhales



EXPLAIN PROCEDURE TO PATIENT

- MAY REQUIRE EXTENSIVE COACHING.....
- If they are anxious, a little Versed may help.
- See appropriate SOP





OPEN PACKAGE





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02 Flow



- Attach CPAP O2 tubing to regulator/flow-meter
- Begin O2 flow @ 15 L
- If needed, slowly increase O2 to desired O2 sat/PEEP (do not exceed 30 LPM)





UNDO 1 OR 2 OF THE QUICK RELEASE CLIP(S)



Hold, or have pt. hold mask snuggly to face... Good face-mask seal is critical

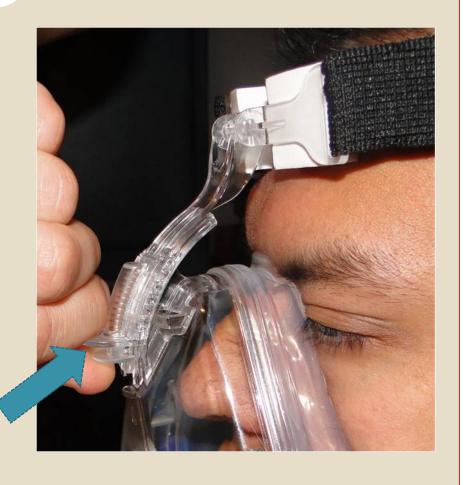


Tighten head straps using Velcro tabs

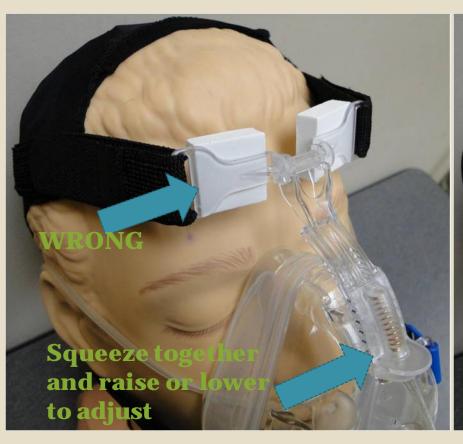


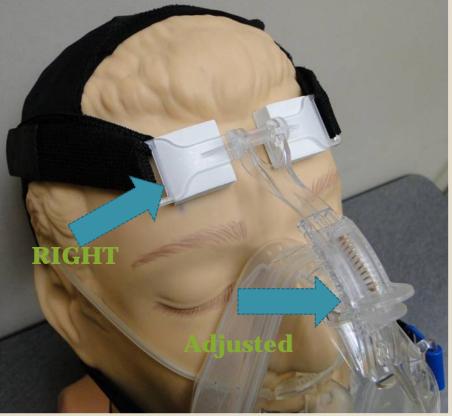
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USE QUICK RELEASE TO ADMINISTER NITRO PER SOP





SOP: If systolic is 90 or above, give nitro every 5 minutes unlimited

IF YOU RECEIVE PERMISSION TO USE CPAP WITH SEVERE ASTHMA/COPD & PATIENT IS WHEEZING



The patient will need a neb treatment

CONNECT NEBULIZER BETWEEN CPAP VALVE & MASK



Capnography can be used under CPAP



CPAP with MWLCEMS Neb

Adaptors

- Some nebulizers may require an adaptor (same adapter used for in-line- nebs)
- You will need this for Good Shepherd nebulizers



Flow-Safe® CPAP Device

- PEEP depends on
- 1. O2 flow rate
- 2. Face mask seal (leak)

Oxygen concentration

depends on

- 1. O2 flow rate
- 2. Respiratory rate
- 3. Tidal volume

How long tanks will last at different flow rates

Minutes of Oxygen by Cylinder Size Based on full 2200 PSI Cylinders

Flow/L/Min.	D Cylinder	E Cylinder	M Cylinder
5	70	123	703
6	58	102	598
8	44	77	498
10	35	61	374
12	29	51	299
15	23	41	199
20	16	29	175
25	14	23	140

CPAP Device Transition

- Attrition (use your old one, replace with a new one)
- Devices already on vehicles will not immediately be replaced
- Transition will occur w/ replacement devices
- When an old device used, it will be replaced w/ new device (as hospital stock allows)
- New devices available after 12-1-11

Documentation

- Document the oxygen flow rate
- Document the PEEP reading on the manometer
- This can be done in your narrative
- Remember to use the manometer reading when patient exhales.

Thanks!

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