

# PALS Case Scenario Testing Checklist Respiratory Case Scenario Lower Airway Obstruction



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Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Test \_\_\_\_\_

| Critical Performance Steps  | ✓ if done correctly |
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| <b>Team Leader</b>  |                     |
| Assigns team member roles   |                     |
| Uses effective communication throughout   |                     |
| <b>Patient Management</b>   |                     |
| Directs assessment of airway, breathing, circulation, disability, and exposure, including vital signs   |                     |
| Directs administration of 100% oxygen or supplementary oxygen as needed to support oxygenation  |                     |
| Directs application of cardiac monitor and pulse oximetry   |                     |
| Identifies signs and symptoms of lower airway obstruction   |                     |
| Categorizes as respiratory distress or failure  |                     |
| Directs administration of albuterol and corticosteroids (for asthma) or suctioning or possible additional laboratory studies (for bronchiolitis)  |                     |
| States indications for bag-mask ventilation and/or other airway or ventilation support  |                     |
| <i>If the student does not verbalize the above, prompt the student with the following question:<br/>"What are the indications for bag-mask ventilation and/or other airway or ventilation support?"</i> |                     |
| Directs establishment of IV or IO access, if appropriate  |                     |
| Directs reassessment of patient in response to treatment  |                     |
| <b>Case Conclusion/Debriefing</b>   |                     |
| <i>The following step is evaluated only if the student's scope of practice applies</i>  |                     |
| States indications for endotracheal intubation  |                     |
| <i>If the student does not verbalize the above, prompt the student with the following question:<br/>"What are the indications for endotracheal intubation?"</i>   |                     |

## STOP TEST

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| <b>Instructor Notes</b>  |   |                       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Place a ✓ in the box next to each step the student completes successfully.</li> <li>If the student does not complete all steps successfully (as indicated by at least 1 blank check box), the student must receive remediation. Make a note here of which skills require remediation (refer to Instructor Manual for information about remediation).</li> </ul> |   |                       |
| <b>Test Results</b>  | Check <b>PASS</b> or <b>NR</b> to indicate pass or needs remediation: | <b>PASS</b> <b>NR</b> |
| Instructor Initials _____  | Instructor Number _____   | Date _____            |