## **CASE PRIMERS**

Pediatric Anesthesia Fellowship Program

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CASE:	Laryngotracheal Reconstruction (LTR) [cricotracheal resection (CTR), tracheal resection and reanastomosis (Trach R+R)]
SHORT DESCRIPTION	Single staged repair of subglottic and/or tracheal stenosis. Higher success with decannulation and less post-reconstruction procedures needed (vs two stage LTR). Tracheotomy closed at time of operation.  Two-Staged repair better suited for more severe stenosis. Involves placement of long term stent at time of first stage of repair. Tracheotomy is left in place. Stent is removed in "second" stage at a later time, prior to removal of tracheotomy.  LTR options: anterior, posterior, or anterior plus posterior reconstruction (this refers to location of cartilage grafts)  anterior boat-shap (authage graft from rib)  Pevichondrium place





Anterior Graft Healing (2 weeks after LTR)

SURGICAL TIME	3-5 hours
OR TABLE AND POSITION	PLAN A Start 90° with head towards inner core (Rm 16) if the surgeon plans DL Bronch after inhalation induction  PLAN B Standard OR table orientation for inhalation induction then rotate 180° after intubation and IV  PLAN C OR Table rotated 180° to start if patient already trached and No DLB planned  *confirm plan with surgical team
EQUIPMENT SETUP	<ul> <li>Standard pediatric intubation setup (read previous anesthetic records/office notes and speak with surgeon to determine degree of stenosis and appropriate ETT size)</li> <li>Rescue LMA</li> <li>ETT Suction catheters</li> <li>Discuss with surgeon/attending, as you may need:</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>DL/Bronch setup with IV extension capable of connecting to anesthesia circuit and multiple uncuffed ET tubes for sizing</li> <li>Fiberoptic bronchoscope</li> <li>Two anesthesia circuits (consider extensions).</li> <li>One for induction/maintenance to start case (usually through tracheotomy).</li> <li>The second ready at the head of the bed. The y-piece will be given to the surgeon and prepped in the field. The inspiratory/expiratory limbs will run under/alongside the table, on the patient's left side. Both limbs of the extra circuit and the extra gas sampling line should be secured to each other and to the OR table with enough slack to reach the ventilator for a quick circuit switch.</li> <li>Label limbs and gas sampling lines of both circuits clearly with colored tape for easy identification</li> <li>Infusion Pump / Syringe Pump for DL/Bronch and transport sedation</li> <li>Forced Air Warming System</li> <li>+/- Central Line (femoral)</li> </ul>
SURGICAL TECHNIQUE (Single stage)	Tracheostomy Present Inhalational induction via trach DLB by surgeon for sizing Microcuff ETT placed via tracheal stoma Rib graft harvest Laryngoplasty ENT may periodically extubate during procedure Possible posterior graft Nasal ETT placed by ENT (circuit change at this stage) Anterior tracheoplasty with graft Flexible bronchoscopy Transport to PICU sedated

	No Tracheostomy Present Induce anesthesia DLB with nasal intubation by ENT (small caliber ETT due to subglottic stenosis) Graft harvest (Rib or Thyroid cartilage) Laryngoplasty with creation of temporary tracheotomy
	ETT placed in tracheotomy. Nasal ETT removed (first circuit change) Possible posterior graft ENT may periodically extubate during procedure. Age-appropriate nasal ETT placed by ENT after laryngoplasty (second nasal intubation, second circuit change) Anterior tracheoplasty with graft Flexible bronchoscopy Transport to PICU
PATIENT POSITION	Supine; arms tucked at side for larger patients
EXPECTED EBL	50-100 cc
ANTIBIOTICS / REDOSING	Zosyn 2-9 months: 80mg (piperacillin component)/kg >9 months and <40kg: 100mg (piperacillin component)/kg (Confirm pre-op)
ANESTHETIC TECHNIQUE	Induction  IV vs Inhalation Induction  Discuss goals and sequence of events prior to entering OR  Spontaneous respiration may be required prior to intubation  Patient may have a tracheostomy, or one may be planned  May require DL/Bronch for dilation/sizing prior to intubation  Secure ETT properly (often by surgery)

	Nothing else in the mouth – alternative site (rectal) for temp monitoring.  Maintenance Volatile +/- propofol infusion Narcotic - consider fentanyl infusion Paralytic  Throughout the case, there will be points when the surgical team changes the route of ventilation (as highlighted in the surgical section). During these times, the anesthesia provider will need to ensure that the appropriate circuit (including gas sampling line) is attached to the anesthesia machine. The anesthesiologist may be asked to extubate under the drapes. Closed loop communication is VITAL.  Emergence/Disposition Adults are often extubated, but the majority of pediatric patients will remain intubated for days in the PICU. Discuss plans for sedation/paralytic/pain control during and after transport.
MONITORING	Standard ASA monitors. +- A line, Central Line
ACCESS	2 IVs, possible central line that does not interfere with surgical field (Consider Femoral vs PICC). ENT places Dobhoff in nose.
FLUID AND BLOOD REQUIREMENTS	Maintenance with crystalloid and 4/2/1 rule Replace losses (NPO + blood loss + 4-6cc/kg/hr for moderate tissue exposure/trauma) Foley Catheter and urine output to guide therapy
PITFALLS	Airway  Make sure you are clear on the plan and sequence of events during induction/intubation and resection. Use closed loop communication to avoid confusion. The

	airway may look normal, but be ready for difficulty ventilating. Many patients have bronchopulmonary dysplasia/chronic lung disease, so be prepared for copious secretions and bronchospasm. Monitor peak pressures, tidal volume and ETCO2. Be ready to suction or replace a tube if necessary (a small amount of secretions can compromise a narrow ETT). Have albuterol / Epinephrine ready. Use low FiO2 while working around open trachea.  Planning for transport For CTR and Trach R+R cases, the surgeon may require a specific degree of neck flexion during transport and recovery. Over-extension can lead to tracheal dehiscence, so ask questions and redose paralytic. When calling for PICU sign out, make sure they have their preferred sedation ready to start upon arrival.
ADDITIONAL NOTES:	PICU Course  Anterior Graft: 2-4 days intubated post-op  Any Posterior Graft: 5-7 days intubated post-op
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