The goal of Seattle Children’s Trach Safe EAM course is to educate healthcare professionals to prepare, practice and prevent airway emergencies in a child with a tracheostomy. Participants will be actively engaged in an immersive educational experience in a safe environment for learners to ask questions, refine their skills and practice emergency care through return demonstration and simulation scenario-based learning.

Course Overview
Through didactic lectures learners will be given an overview of upper respiratory anatomy, common pathology, indications and complications of tracheostomies in pediatric patients. Participants will then rotate through interactive simulation and skills practice including:

1. Simulation scenarios with manikin
2. Equipment preparedness and patient safety in the home environment
3. Skills practice suctioning, changing a tracheostomy tube and CPR for a child with a tracheostomy

Course Objectives
The learner will:
- Describe pediatric airway anatomy and indications for tracheostomy.
- Explain emergency airway tracheostomy assessment for the child showing signs of respiratory distress.
- Identify essential equipment and demonstrate how to standardize the patient care environment to prepare for airway emergencies.
- Demonstrate effective emergency tracheostomy management for the child who has an accidental decannulation and a child with an obstructed tube.
- Discuss and share tips for improving vigilance to prevent emergencies.

Who Will Benefit Most from Attending This Course
Nurses in acute care, home care and school settings

*Please note that this is not a certification course.*
Course Schedule

3:45 pm  Registration (first floor deli)
4:00 pm  Introduction, Tracheostomy Emergency Airway Management, Airway Abnormalities, Indications for Tracheostomy, Changing a Tracheostomy
4:40pm  Small group rotations: Simulation scenarios, Home Safety and Equipment Preparedness, Airway Ventilation Skills
6:40 pm  Dinner (provided)
7:00 pm  Small group rotations: Simulation scenarios, Tracheostomy Tube Change Skills, CPR for a Child with a Tracheostomy
8:40 pm  Debriefing and Parent / Professional Emergency Care Planning, faculty and student discussion
8:55 pm  Evaluation and Adjourn

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How to Register

Online: Outreach Conferences

Registration Fees

All Participants: $150.00. We accept online credit card payments only.

Cancellation, Transfer and Refund Policy

- A $15 administrative fee will be charged for cancellations/transfers with more than one week’s notice.
- An $80 administrative fee will be charged for cancellations/transfers with less than one week’s notice.
- No refund if cancellation occurs less than 48 hours prior to the course.
- All fees are the responsibility of the registrant, and are due no later than one week prior to the course.

Accreditation

- Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (Provider #16541) for 4.7 contact hours.
- None of the instructors, planners, or faculty/content specialists has any conflict of interest nor will be discussing any off-label product use.
- This class has no commercial support or sponsorship, nor is it co-sponsored.

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