**Request for Information – Feedback Summary Sheet**

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| **Request made by:** | | Ifor Evans | | **Responses to be sent back to:** | [Sally.heal@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:Sally.heal@wales.nhs.uk) |
| **Date request made:** | | 26/02/2017 | | **Date sent out:** | 27/02/2017 |
| **Details of Request:** | | I wonder if i could get some information from the units using sub glottis ET tubes regarding which ones they use please | | | |
| **No.** | **Response Received From:** | | **Details of Response:** | | |
| 1 | Hi Sally, I have circulated your request today and completed the top part of this request form. Please would you copy and paste onto the form any replies you receive over the next 12 weeks, then return to me. This enables better sharing of information and reduces the need for duplicating recent requests. Many Thanks  Regards,  Claire  *Claire Horsfield – Quality Improvement Lead Nurse*  *Lancashire and South Cumbria Critical Care Network*  *Trust HQ, Chorley District General Hospital,*  *Preston Road, Chorley, Lancs.*  *PR7 1PP.*  *Tel: 01257 245483*  *Mobile: 07590098115*  *Email:* [*Claire.horsfield@lthtr.nhs.uk*](mailto:Claire.horsfield@lthtr.nhs.uk) | |  | | |
| 2 | Hi Sally,  We use Smiths Portex Blue-line suction aid  here in Wrexham!  Kind Regards,  Helen Williams  **Helen Williams**  Sister Practice Development •` Prif Ymarferydd Datblydiag,  Critical Care Unit • Uned Gofal Credigol  Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board • Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol  Wrexham Maelor Hospital, Croesnewydd Road, Wrexham,  LL13 7TD  Ysbyty Maelor Wrecsam, Ffordd Croesnewydd, Wrecsam,  LL13 7TD  Tel •Ffon: 01978 725554  (WHTN 1814 5554)  Email • Ebost: [HELEN.WILLIAMSITU@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:HELEN.WILLIAMSITU@wales.nhs.uk) | |  | | |
| 3 | Hi Sally,  We use Portex “blue line suction above the cuff” tubes.  Best wishes,  **Andy**  **Andy Jackson**  **Senior Nurse for ITU, Recovery and Pain Nurse Specialists**  **01392 402425 (07833 237537 / #6783)** | |  | | |
| 4 | Hi Sally    I'm not sure how much the information below will help you but I was keen to respond to a request from the lovely people in Wales who saved me so much time writing policies and prescription charts when we introduced our Fresenius citrate machines!    After a flurry of enthusiasm a few years ago we don't actually use subglottic ET tubes any more.    However, when we did, we tried the Covidien Taperguard EVAC tube which was very good but expensive. Too expensive to get other departments like ED and Theatres to stock them too just in case the patient ended up on ICU. This made them a non-starter as most of our intubated patients get intubated somewhere else before they get to us.    We then changed to the Teleflex Medical ISIS tube, which was different in that it was a fairly cheap ET tube, to which you could attach an external tube to the subglottic port, if the patient needed subglottic suction. This extra little bit of plastic tube was quite expensive (more than the ET tube itself) but it still worked out cheaper than the Taperguard EVAC tube as you only spent the extra money when you needed to. Consequently this worked out better as we managed to get ED to stock them too. Ultimately however enthusiasm for these tubes waned and we stopped using these ones too.    We also at the time bought two Ohio "Continuous Intermittent suction machines" distributed by Covidien. These attached to the subglottic port and were like conventional suction machines except they had a solenoid switch that switched the suction on for 10 seconds every minute. We quite liked these and if we ever use subglottic tubes again I would dust them off and put them back into use immediately.    The other thing, however, on our unit is that we are very quick to perform translaryngeal percutaneous tracheostomies on our patients so patients rarely have ET tubes for long. This I suppose reduces the overall benefit of subglottic ET tubes on our unit.    Hope some of this helps. It may not if the tubes I mention above are no longer available!    Best wishes    **Richard**    Richard Minchin  Clinical Nurse Educator  ICU / HDU  North Devon District Hospital  Barnstaple  EX31 4JB | |  | | |
| 5 | Hi Sally  We recently discussed this at our meeting with units from the network …I’ll forward the email which has a photo of the tubes in use and the cost.  Kind regards  Karen  Karen Berry  Lead Nurse Greater Manchester Critical Care and Major Trauma Network | |  | | |
| 6 | Hi  The ITU at Bristol University Hospital uses a subglottic tube from Halyard, microcuff, subglottic suctioning endotracheal tube.  Rep is Anna Crossman <[anna.crossman@hyh.com](mailto:anna.crossman@hyh.com)>  **Christopher Summers**  **Charge Nurse**  **A600 ITU**  **01173427119**  [**Christopher.summers@UHBristol.nhs.uk**](mailto:Christopher.summers@UHBristol.nhs.uk) | |  | | |
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