



# BOOKS AND MULTIMEDIA OF INTEREST

***Atlas of Airway Management Techniques and Tools***, by Steven L. Orebaugh, MD. 224 pages, \$69.95. Philadelphia, Pa: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2007, ISBN: 978-0-7817-9724-5.

This book is a complete airway reference, which includes routine and difficult airway management to explain both basic and alternative techniques for more complex situations. Such understanding is vital when exploring adjuncts to direct laryngoscopy, blind intubation, lightwands, retrograde intubation, fiberoptic techniques, emergency ventilation, combination techniques, and emergency surgical airways.

Each chapter is divided into succinct sections that allow one to easily reference a specific airway tech-

nique. The concept section of each chapter describes which clinical setting or patient is most appropriate for a particular airway device, while the evidence section provides clinical research to support the given concept. Each chapter also contains a quick reference guide for step-by-step procedures of how to perform a specific airway technique.

A strength of the *Atlas of Airway Management Techniques and Tools* is the 200-plus photographs of the step-by-step airway techniques. The book contains many cadaver photos that clearly detail the airway anatomy and demonstrate the airway techniques. The book continues to provide excellent photographs of the large array of necessary airway tools for the various airway management needs. The atlas concept keeps the text to a

minimum and relies on the photographs for the reader to visually understand the airway concepts.

In viewing the different airway management techniques, the anesthesia provider will gain a greater appreciation for the complex airways that one must care for on a routine basis. This book provides an excellent resource for a quick referral of a particular airway technique. It will be a valuable resource book for the seasoned anesthesia provider to maintain competence in difficult airway management and also is an excellent book for the novice anesthesia provider who is learning the basics of airway management.

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