**SKILL: Prediction of difficult direct endotracheal intubation**

**LEARNER NAME: DATE: / /**

*\*\*Learner expected to introduce him/herself and ask for consent at all times*

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| **No** | **PERFORMANCE** | **Possible Points** | **Points Obtained** | **Competent** | **Omitted** |
|  | The student verbalises that he will evaluate the patient for predictors of difficult direct laryngoscopy using the ***‘MMAP’*** mnemonic. |  |  |  |  |
|  | **M – Mallampati classification:** in the awake, sitting and cooperative patient, the student asks the patient to open his mouth fully, and to extrude the tongue without phonating. The student then verbalises what structures are visible and scores the patient according to the class. The student then reports on the predicted difficulty. |  |  |  |  |
|  | **M – Measures 3-3-1:** student assess the thyromental span by placing three fingers breadths (patient’s diameter) between the patient’s mentum of the chin and superior border of the thyroid cartilage. Student then opens the patient’s mouth and should be able to place 3 finger breadths between the teeth of the mandible and the teeth of the maxilla. |  |  |  |  |
|  | **A – Atlanto –occipital extension:** in the absence of C-spine precautions the student flexes the patient’s neck at the cervico-thoracic junction, extends the head at the atlanto-occipital junction and reports on the range of motion. |  |  |  |  |
|  | **P - Pathology:** student examines patient and reports on any pathology that may be obstructing the airway (medical or traumatic origin) |  |  |  |  |
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References:

* HPCSA

**Overall assessment of learner’s performance:**

**NOT YET COMPETENT**

**COMPETENT**

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