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Flexible Laryngoscopy and Related ENT Procedures Ryner Jose C. Carrillo UP-Philippine General Hospital I Philippines

The use of flexible transnasal endoscopy in assessing the aerodigestive tract has allowed awake operative procedures. Nasopharyngolaryngoscopy flexible endoscopic and evaluation of swallowing are the common office-based modalities in assessing anatomic and functional deficits in the larynx and pharynx. Endoscopic guided procedures, such as nasogastric insertion, biopsies, foreign body extraction, injection, balloon dilatation and laser ablation usually require an extra hand. These procedures will need a trained assistant in the form of an ENT colleague, physician assistant or a nurse. Simulations of these procedures using a model will help develop coordination and shorten the learning curve, and may increase success rates.