

PEDIATRIC RESPIRATORY PR-02

AIRWAY OBSTRUCTION

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History and Physical:	
Historical Findings	Physical Findings
 Recent event 	 Partial or complete airway obstruction Secondary to foreign body aspiration Decreased LOC Cyanosis Obvious inadequate air exchange

Assessment:

- Respiratory Assessment
- Differential Diagnoses: Aspirated Foreign Body, Mass, Infectious

Clinical Management Options:	
Interventions	Pharmacology
 Conscious (no productive cough): Infant: back blows and chest thrusts Child: abdominal (Heimlich) thrusts Unconscious: Laryngoscopy Removal of foreign object with Magill forceps or suction Oxygen therapy as appropriate Vascular Access 	 If unable to ventilate, unable to oxygenate: Surgical Airway (9 years and older) Needle Cricothyroidotomy (8 and younger)