

**PARKLAND HEALTH & HOSPITAL SYSTEM  
LEADERSHIP & ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**COMPETENCY VALIDATION  
Frictional Nasal Jejunal Feeding (TIGER™) Tube**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Tiger Tube</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Attempt (P or F)</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Attempt (P or F)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
1. Check provider's order. Gather equipment: gloves, Tiger™ Tube and TFE-coated torque cable (stylet), water-soluble lubricant, stethoscope, non-luer lock irrigation syringe, hypoallergenic tape.			
2. Identify patient utilizing two unique patient identifiers and explains procedure.			
3. Wash hands and don gloves (can verbalize).			
4. Apply lubricant to distal tip.			
5. Advance the tube (with torque cable, if needed) through the patient's nare or mouth to a depth of 50 -70 cm (into the patient's stomach- depth depends on patient's anatomy).			
6. Remove torque cable (if utilized) and check position of tube by injecting 20 -30 ml air into the tube while auscultating over upper abdomen.			
7. Remove the tube immediately if positioned incorrectly.			
8. Leave the tube in place for 30 min. – 1 hr. to allow patient peristalsis to advance the catheter.			
9. Manually advance the tube 10-cm every 30 min. – 1 hr. until the 100-cm mark is reached (for weak peristalsis, advance every 1 hr. – 2 hr.; for unusual stomach anatomy, advance in 5-cm increments).			
10. At the 100-cm mark, an abdominal x-ray should be obtained to confirm position.			
11. Secure the feeding tube using tape.			
12. DO NOT aspirate residuals.			
13. Upon receiving a provider's order for tube removal, withdraw gently, steadily, and slowly to minimize irritation from the flaps.			
14. CONTRAINDICATIONS for Tiger™ Tube placement include: GI obstruction, uncooperative patient, nare(s) obstruction, active bleeding, TPA therapy, hypercoagulopathy.			

**The completion of this form validates the above nurse's competency for this skill.**

#1 Pass / Fail Competency Validator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#2 Pass / Fail Competency Validator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_