# About the McMurray Enhanced Airway (MEA)

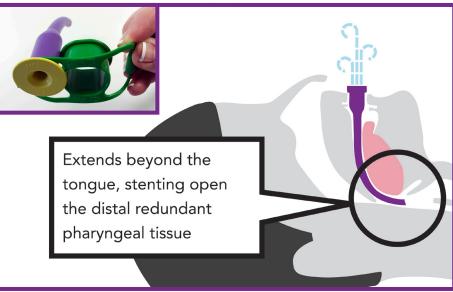
### The first distal pharyngeal airway (DPA)

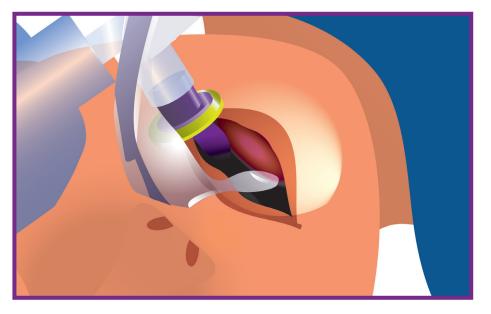
Designed to quickly mitigate hypoxia • Ideal for OSA, older and obese patients • Suitable for most patients approximately 5ft-6ft in height

### The multipurpose DPA

#### 1. Relieves upper airway obstruction

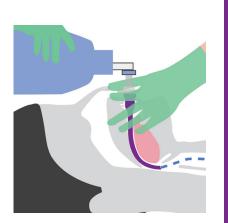
- Fits alongside EGD bite block
- No setup needed
- Elongated cushioned bite block
- Upon a negative gag reflex, place between molars
- 2. Provides apneic oxygenation to patients who are prone to hypoxia or difficult to intubate
  - Slide the MEA to the left side of the mouth, connect the MEA to the anesthesia circuit or BVM and intubate around it
- 3. Facilitates intraoral positive pressure ventilation (IOV)
  - Avoids challenging mask ventilation, especially with obese, OSA, edentulous, or bearded patients
  - IOV accomplished either manually or with a mask





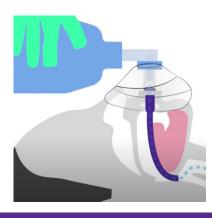
### Manually

- Place patient's chin slightly in your left palm
- 2. Place thenar web space around MEA base
- 3. Pinch nares closed with thumb and index finger
- 4. Bring lips up to seal with palm



### With a Mask

- 1. Place MEA midline
- 2. Attach straight connector (not included) to MEA connector
- 3. Place straight connector through the mask's hole
- 4. Couple to BVM or anesthesia circuit



## For Sucessful Placement – 3 Easy Steps

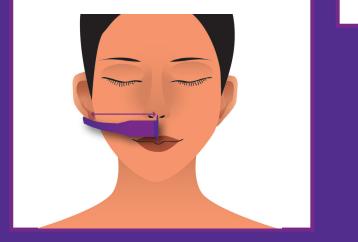






#### Size the MEA

Philtrum to tip of the earlobe (without the connector)



#### Assess Readiness

Patient has a negative gag reflex



#### Place

Midline with curve facing palate and slide between the molars

- If measured too long when sizing, withdraw until correctly placed – keep some molars on bite block
- No lubrication, rotation or tongue depressor routinely needed

For a step-by-step video and more