This is a quick reference guide for the application and routine care of the AnchorFast oral endotracheal tube fastener.* The AnchorFast tube fastener secures oral endotracheal tubes ranging in size from 5 to 10 mm in diameter.

**Application**

**Step 1**
Prepare the skin
- Make sure the skin is clean, dry, and free of oily residue
- Do not use skin gel wipes or other brands of skin preps with the oral endotracheal tube fastener

**Step 2**
Remove the release liners
- Remove the release liners from the two skin barrier pads

**Step 3**
Place the device on the patient
- Center the device on the upper lip so the nonabsorbent upper lip stabilizer lightly touches the skin
- Position the one-click security clamp approximately 1/2 inch below the patient’s upper lip
- Press the two skin barrier pads against the patient’s skin
- Hold the device in place until the barrier pads adhere well. This should take approximately thirty seconds

**Step 4**
Apply the adjustable neck strap
- Insert the narrow end of the strap through the plastic loop on the track
- Fasten the narrow end of the strap using the hook and loop closure
- Adjust straps on either side for added comfort and security. Do not overtighten
- Allow two fingers width between the strap and the back of the patient’s head

**Step 5**
Secure the endotracheal tube
- Squeeze the tabs on the sides of the gliding tube shuttle and move the clamp along the track to a location above the tube
- Remove the release liner from the ET tube wrap exposing the adhesive. Before applying the wrap to the tube, make sure the tube is dry and free of any residue
- Position the tube under the non-slip grippers
- Care should be taken to avoid aligning the inflation lumen directly under the non-slip grippers when securing the tube. Loop the wrap tightly around the tube, and pull the remaining portion of the wrap through the security clamp
- Secure the wrap by snapping the one-click security clamp shut (an audible click will be heard)

**Routine Care**

- To reposition the tube, squeeze the shuttle tabs on the outer edges and move in either direction along the tube track
- Reposition the tube side to side at least every two hours,³ or more frequently if the patient’s condition dictates, to minimize the risk of injury to the skin and/or lips from unrelieved pressure

Visit [www.hollister.com](http://www.hollister.com) to view video instructions for product application.

* CAUTION: PRIOR TO USING THE ANCHORFAST ORAL ENDOTRACHEAL TUBE FASTENER BE SURE TO READ THE ENTIRE PRODUCT INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE.
Precautions

- The AnchorFast oral endotracheal tube fastener has been evaluated in an adult population. This product is not intended for use with pediatric (paediatric) patients.
- Use caution in patients with full or swollen lips, dental appliances, facial swelling, and/or protruding teeth.
- Patients without front upper teeth or unable to wear upper dentures may lack the maxillary support required to use the AnchorFast oral endotracheal tube fastener.
- Patients with facial hair may lack the necessary support to anchor the skin barrier pads.
- After application of the AnchorFast oral endotracheal tube fastener, check the patient frequently to ensure that both the AnchorFast oral endotracheal tube fastener and the endotracheal tube are secure and correctly positioned.
- To minimize the risk of pressure injury, inspect the patient’s lips and skin at least every two hours\(^1,2\) or more frequently if the patient’s condition dictates.
- Discontinue use of the device if redness or skin irritation occurs.
- Repeated adjustment of the endotracheal tube in a distal or proximal direction may affect the performance of the ET tube wrap.
- Care should be taken to avoid aligning the inflation lumen directly under the non-slip grippers when securing the tube.
- The AnchorFast oral endotracheal tube fastener is indicated for single use. To help ensure proper adhesion, do not reuse.

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References