

## THE AMT BRIDLE™ NASAL TUBE RETAINING SYSTEM PROTOCOL

**The AMT Bridle Nasal Tube Retaining System** will be the new standard of care in the ICU to avoid the high cost of nasal tube pullouts/accidental dislodgements while simultaneously improving patient outcomes. It is available in eight sizes to correspond with the French size of nasal tube being used: 5F, 6F, 8F, 10F, 12F, 14F, 16F, 18F.

### **Indications:**

- A. Prevent accidental displacement &/or dislodgement of nasal feeding tubes
- B. Prevention of skin breakdown/infection associated with facial adhesive tape for securing tube
- C. Any patient at risk for aspiration of enteral nutrition
- D. Assurance of timely provision of nutrition
- Assurance of necessary continuous suction via nasal tube

### **Contraindications**

- Mechanical obstructions in nasal airway
- Facial fractures/Nasal fractures
- Anterior cranial fracture
- Basilar skull fractures

### **Placement:**

Physicians, Physician/Surgical Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, RNs (refer to State Nursing Board for Scope of Practice), and Nutrition Support Personnel may place the AMT Bridle.

### **Competency:**

All support staff must have current documented educational training and demonstrate clinical competence in placing and caring for the **AMT Bridle**. Watch the **AMT Bridle** video and refer to competency checklist after inservice.

### **Procedure:**

See Directions for use with accompanying illustrations for placement