In a 2013 report titled, *Practice Guidelines for Management of the Difficult Airway*, the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) listed a lighted stylet as an alternative intubation technique in its Difficult Airway Algorithm. Observational studies have reported successful intubation rates of between 96.8 percent and 100 percent when lighted stylets or wands were used on patients with difficult airways, compared to intubation rates of between 78 percent and 100 percent where non-lighted stylets were used on similar patients.

The Vital Signs® orotracheal lighted stylet offers a proven and effective means of tracheal intubation when standard intubation is otherwise difficult. With placement of the Vital Signs orotracheal lighted stylet, clinicians can verify correct positioning by observing the bright glow in the anterior soft tissue of the neck. *(No illumination can be seen when the stylet is placed in the esophagus.)*

The Vital Signs orotracheal lighted stylet provides a critical, yet cost-effective option to have readily available where intubations may be performed, such as in the ED and the OR. The ASA report also recommended that lighted stylets be included on portable storage units for difficult airway management.
Key features that make the Vital Signs orotracheal lighted stylet the right choice for your difficult intubation needs:

**Bright and safe**
- Exceptionally bright light for intubation and position verification

**Dependable and cost-effective**
- Self-contained handle unit, no batteries to replace, no switch to fail
- Single-patient-use stylets
- Eliminates reprocessing costs

**Easy to use**
- Stylet is flexible for use with or without a laryngoscope
- Applicable for the difficult airway and routine intubations
- Lightweight for portability and storage

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