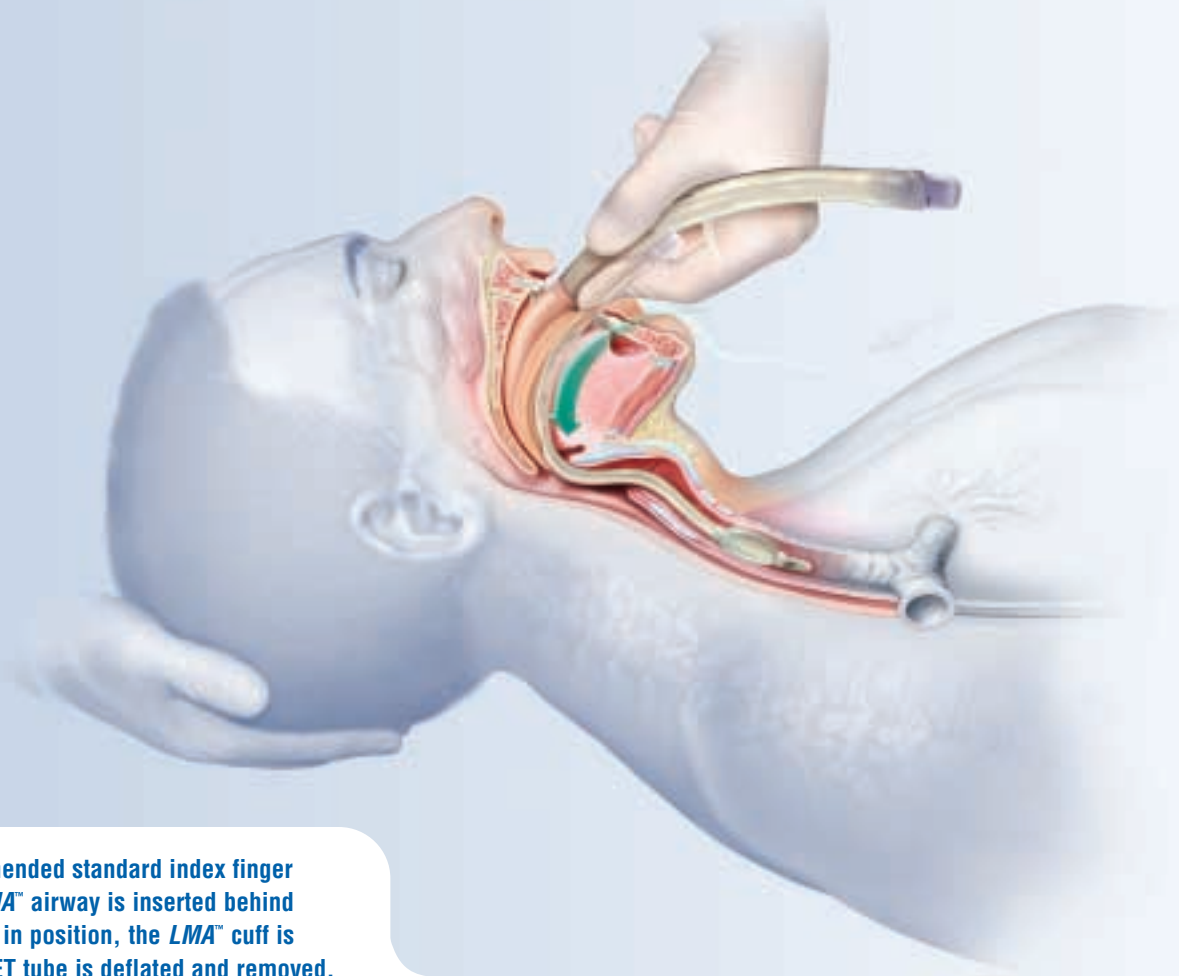


# Airway Challenge #1

Achieving smooth emergence from anesthesia (reduced coughing and bucking) in intubated patients undergoing complex surgeries.



Using the recommended standard index finger technique, the *LMA*<sup>™</sup> airway is inserted behind the ET tube. Once in position, the *LMA*<sup>™</sup> cuff is inflated, and the ET tube is deflated and removed.

## *LMA* Classic<sup>™</sup> & *LMA* Unique<sup>™</sup>



The *LMA*<sup>™</sup> airway can play an important role in perioperative airway management, even if an ET tube has been used during surgery. Exchange of the ET tube with an *LMA*<sup>™</sup> airway, also termed the Bailey Maneuver after Dr. Paul Bailey, combines the security of an ET tube with the advantages of an *LMA*<sup>™</sup> airway during emergence from anesthesia: reduced coughing and bucking and minimal hemodynamic response.

- Following surgery, leave the ET tube in place, with the cuff inflated
- Suction the hypopharynx, if appropriate
- Insert the *LMA*<sup>™</sup> airway behind the ET tube and inflate the cuff
- Deflate and remove the ET tube with the patient still deeply anesthetized
- Attach the circuit to the *LMA*<sup>™</sup> connector and allow the patient to awaken

### For a step-wise method to learn this technique, consult:

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