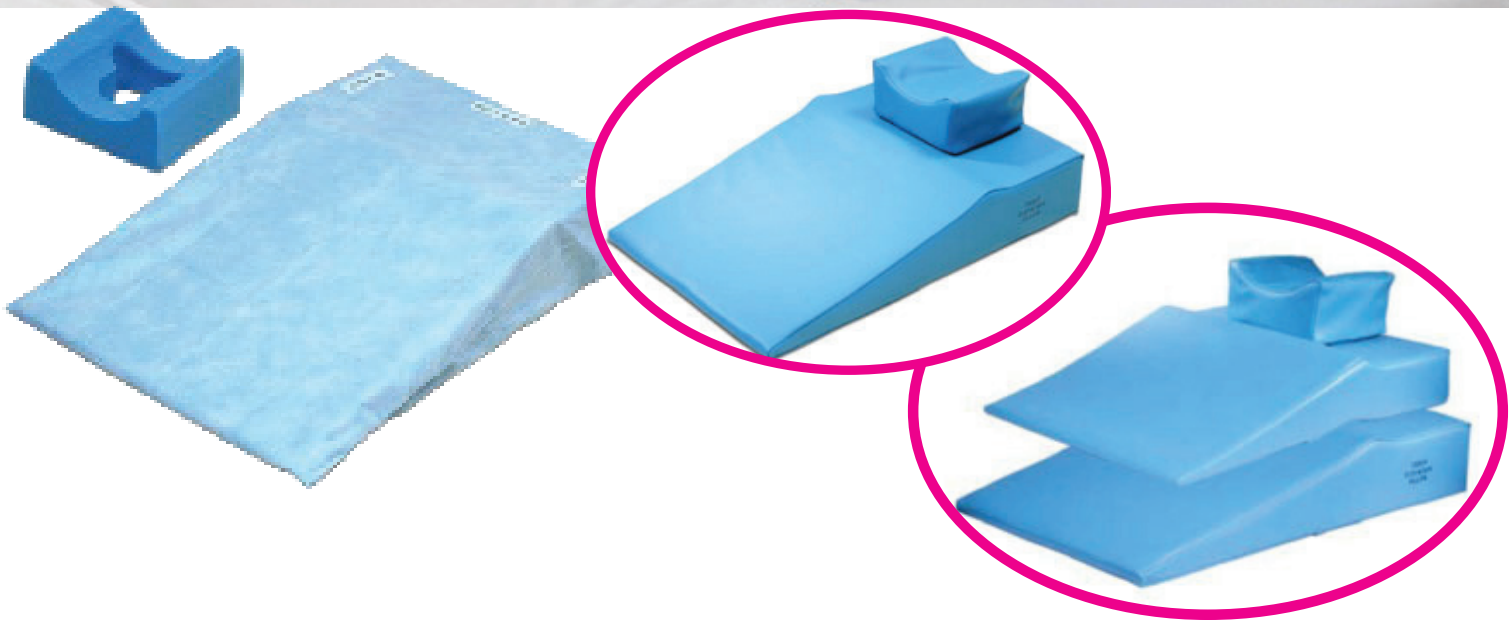


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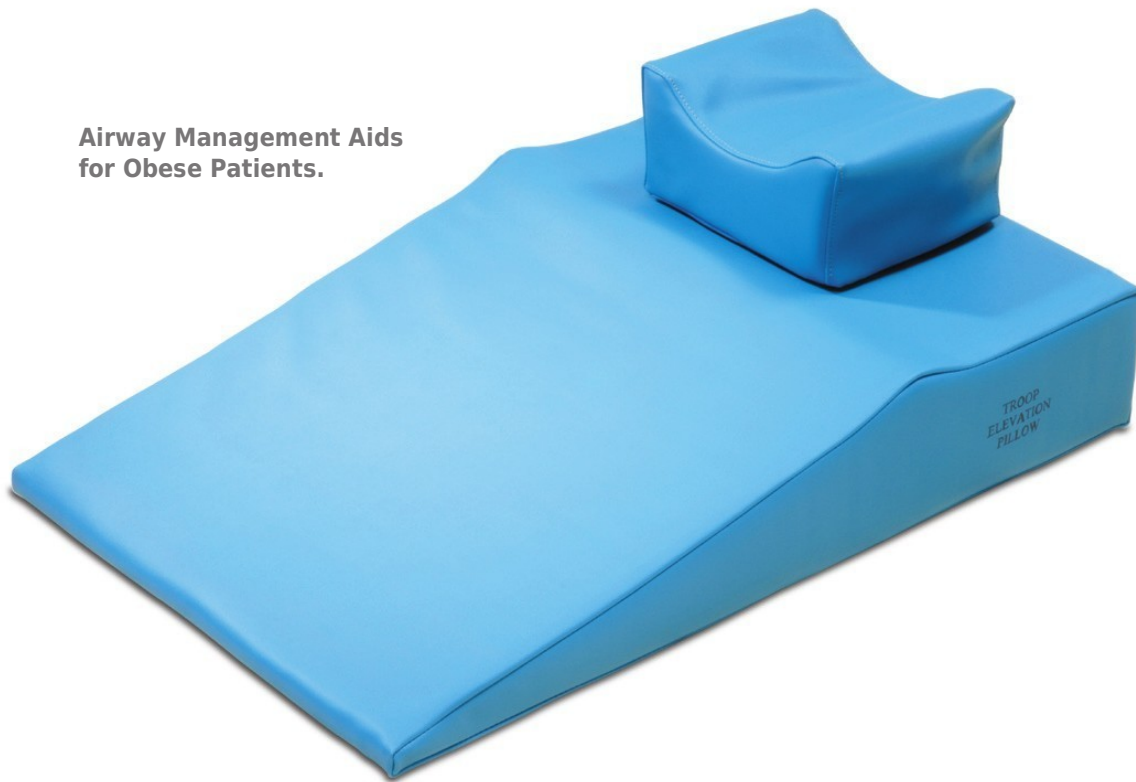
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# Troop Elevation Pillow and accessories

**Airway Management Aids  
for Obese Patients.**



The Troop Elevation Pillow is designed and intended to facilitate airway management for obese and large-framed patients. The pillow is for intra-op and post-op care.

Designed and developed by a practicing anesthesiologist, the Elevation Pillow addresses the inherent problem of “stacking blankets.” It is both stable and easy to set-up.

The pillow quickly achieves the “head-elevated laryngoscopy position, (HELP).” This position is recommended for airway management of obese patients.

**For Super Morbidly  
Obese Patients**



*Available in both disposable  
and reusable formats.*

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## Indications for Use:

- General and Regional Anesthesia for obese patients.
- Local Anesthesia with I.V. Sedation for obese patients.
- Aid to improve mask and spontaneous ventilation.
- Obstetric C-Section cases.
- ENT, Head & Neck, Facial Surgeries.
- Neurosurgery; positioning aid for Anterior Cervical Fusion.
- Bariatric Surgery.
- X-Ray/Cath Lab Procedures.
- Bariatric Clinics.

## Benefits:

- Aids Airway Management for obese patients.
- Improves "Ease of Breathing."
- Obese patients breathe more comfortably during pre-oxygenation (pre-induction) and during regional anesthesia.
- The Elevation Pillow greatly facilitates mask ventilation.
- Helps align the Upper Airway Axes.
- Easier, faster set-up eliminating "stacking of blankets."
- Stable patient positioning is maintained during surgery.
- Helps decrease Acid Reflux (aid to manage GERD).

## "NEW"

The newest addition to Troop Accessories is the washable, vinyl covered, reusable Elevated Arm Board Pads. These pads are a better way of building up the arm boards. For most patients, stacking with blankets or extra foam is unnecessary.



■ Reusable Armboard



Code	Description	
• TRP-10-91001	<b>SET OF 2-</b> Reusable Vinyl Covered Troop Pillow with Head Cradle	Each
• TRP-10-91006	<b>SET OF 3-</b> Reusable Vinyl Covered TEP Pillow set, includes TEP, TEPA & Head Cradle	Each
• TRP-10-91002	Reusable Vinyl Covered Head Cradle	BX4
• TRP-10-91003	Disposable Covers for Troop Elevation Pillow	BX30
• TRP-10-91007	Reusable Vinyl Covered Arm Boards - pair	BX2
• TRP-96-8815	Disposable Head Cradle - Foam	BX24

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# Troop Elevation Pillow Addition (TEPA)



The **Addition** is a wedge shaped positioner that is designed to be used with the Troop Elevation Pillow. The Addition is placed on top of the Troop Elevation Pillow and a head cradle or standard intubating pillow is placed on top of the flat / plateau part of the Addition. The Troop Elevation Pillow (TEP) + the Addition (TEPA) + the Head Cradle (H.C.) are designed for **positioning the super morbidly obese patient in the H.E.L.P. position** (head elevated laryngoscopy position). As a general guideline the TEP + TEPA + H.C. is recommended for patients weighing 450 to 500 pounds or more or patients whose **BMI is greater than 50**. The patient's height and weight distribution are important observations when considering the clinical indication to use the TEPA. For example a super morbidly obese patient whose weight is mainly in the abdomen and upper chest area (verses the waist and hip area) is more likely to receive the most benefit.

The **Troop Elevation Pillow Addition (TEPA)** is available as a single use item with a disposable paper cover. It is also sold as a washable / reusable vinyl covered product designed to Velcro attach to the vinyl covered Troop Elevation Pillow. **The disposable barrier cover (sold separately) is recommended to cover and protect the vinyl TEPA and the vinyl Troop Elevation Pillow.**

# Tips on Using The Elevation Pillow

- 1) Place the Elevation Pillow (EP) at the head of the O.R. table and cover the EP with its **form fitted impermeable barrier cover (sold separately)** (this cover provides added patient comfort and helps to keep the EP clean). **Place the vinyl covered standard intubating pillow on the plateau / flat part of the vinyl covered Elevation Pillow.** Place a sheet 'cross wise' *underneath* the Elevation Pillow. If post intubation the patient needs to be moved down the O.R. table (into lithotomy position for example), by lifting with the sheet, the Elevation Pillow & patient can be moved as a unit and the patient remains in the same head elevated laryngoscopy position (H.E.L.P.).
- 2) Put the O.R. table in ~5-10 degrees 'back down' position  
(The patient can then transfer from stretcher to O.R. table on a "level plain".)
- 3) The patient's shoulders should be resting on the upper curve of the **Elevation Pillow.** The patient's head should rest on the standard intubating pillow at the upper edge of the Elevation Pillow.
- 4) After the patient is on the O.R. table and resting on the **Elevation Pillow & standard intubating pillow,** adjust the O.R. table ~5-10 degrees 'back-up' as needed.
- 5) 'Build-up' the arm boards with foam and / or folded blankets or place the **Elevated (vinyl covered) Arm Board pads (sold separately)**
- 6) **Place a 'regular' hospital pillow under the patient's knees.**

**CAUTION: DURING SURGERY, CLOSELY MONITOR FOR 'SLIPPING' OF ELEVATION PILLOW & PATIENT IF THE O.R. TABLE IS PLACED IN STEEP TRENDLENBERG**

**Note: a sample Troop Elevation Pillow cover (impermeable barrier) is included...for infection control reasons; use one 'new' disposable cover for each patient...the covers are available for purchase (30 per box)**



# Troop Elevation Pillow Set-up Instructions



## **The Troop Elevation Pillow / Set-up Instructions**

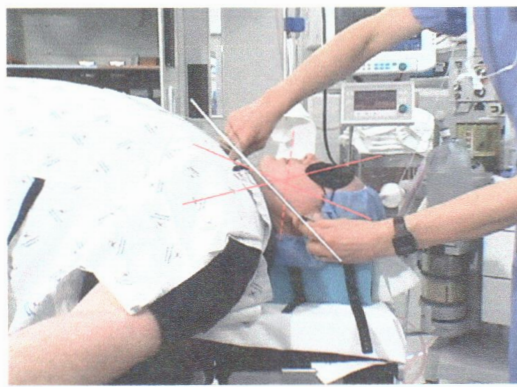
*(Designed for use with a standard intubation pillow)*

*(Place a 'cross sheet' under the Elevation Pillow (EP)); if needed this will Facilitate moving the patient as a 'unit' with the EP)*



*(Put the O.R. table in a slight back down position...facilitates patient transfer; post transfer raise the back up to achieve the H.E.L.P. position)*  
*(Place a 'regular' pillow under the patient's knees)*

**Use the Barrier Cover for Foam or Vinyl Covered Elevation Pillow**



***Morbidly Obese Patient: from fully supine to the Head Elevated Laryngoscopy Position... (H.E.L.P.)***

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