

Functional Upper Airway: The anatomical passageways from the nose to the lungs are clear allowing for the passage of air to and from the lungs.

Non-Functional Upper Airway: There is a blockage or structural impairment of the anatomical passageway from the nose to the lungs that can cause compromise the passage of air to and from the lungs.

Weaning: Incremental changes of ventilator settings or modes to slowly decrease the dependence on mechanical ventilation support.

Sprinting: Building the patient's respiratory endurance by alternating between full mechanical ventilator support and the patient's spontaneous breathing without the use of mechanical ventilation.

Airway Support Without Trach Example: Positive airway support achieved by CPAP/BiPAP or Ventilator with interfaces such as nasal pillows or mask.

Basic Home Safety Assessment: Definition/examples