

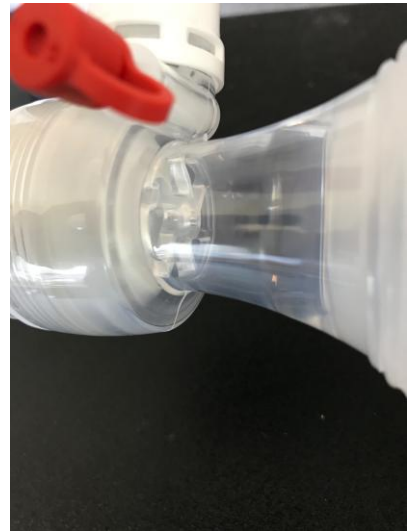


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## One Minute Tip: Using Students as Patients

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The awesome thing about using students as patients is that they are able to experience a unique perspective through the eyes of a “real” patient. Students gain insight into how a patient feels and what a patient sees when we show up. They also must portray the stance, position, posture, breathing rate, etc. of the disease process they are “experiencing.” One way to help continue the fidelity in your scenarios when using the students as live patients is to be able to ventilate them. With a couple quick and easy steps, you can convert a conventional BVM to one that can be used to “bag” your live role-playing patient. It is as simple as removing the inhalation and exhalation valves.



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