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The Troop Elevation Pillow® is referenced in the following Anesthesia Textbooks:

(Glick, Cooper, Ovassapian)
Clinical Benefits: (Advantages)

- **TEP . . . EASY** (to use) . . . **STABLE** (unlike a pile of blankets) . . . **PREDICTABLE** (result)
- **Improved** ease-of-breathing . . . **Higher** pre-oxygenation level . . . **Longer Time** to desaturation
- **Complements** DL or video laryngoscopy . . . **Facilitates** 1st pass successful intubation
- **The Shorter** the time to intubation, the **Sooner** the time to incision (surgical starts)

Cost Benefits:

- **Quicker** intubation times = **Better** O.R. Time Management = **Decreased** cost
- **HELP** avoid a failed intubation, unplanned ICU admission, Case cancellation
- **HELP** avoid just one bad airway outcome = **PRICELESS**.

Use of the Troop Elevation Pillow (TEP) can assist clinicians with easier positioning of patients, better airway management and may reduce costs.