

TEAM	PATIENT	IV DRUGS MONITORS	EQUIPMENT
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Notify senior ED doctor</li> <li>2. Verbalise indication for intubation</li> <li>3. Allocate roles</li> <li>4. Confirm intubation plan*               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Initial tracheal intubation attempts × 3</li> <li>B. Final tracheal intubation attempt</li> <li>C. Rescue plan to maintain oxygenation</li> <li>D. Rescue plan for front of neck access</li> </ol> </li> <li>5. Assign lead for post-intubation debrief</li> </ol> <p>* see Emergency Intubation Algorithm</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Optimise <b>haemodynamics</b>, consider:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fluid bolus</li> <li>• Inotrope/vasopressor</li> <li>• Bolus dose vasopressor drawn up</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Optimise <b>pre-oxygenation</b>, consider:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100% FiO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>• PEEP via t-piece</li> <li>• Apnoeic oxygenation (NP) 2 L/kg/min (15L/min)</li> <li>• Elevate head of bed</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Optimise <b>position</b>, consider:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &lt;1 year: towel/trauma mat under shoulders</li> <li>• &gt;8 years: towel/pillow under head</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p><b>If any difficulties anticipated CALL FOR HELP</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IV access functioning</li> <li>2. Intubation drugs/dose chosen and drawn up</li> <li>3. Cardiac monitoring</li> <li>4. BP (2 minute cycle)</li> <li>5. SpO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>6. EtCO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>7. Post intubation sedation drawn up</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. T-piece/face mask checked for leak</li> <li>2. Suction functioning (yankauer and flexible)</li> <li>3. Airway equipment template complete</li> <li>4. Glidescope at bedside/turned on</li> </ol>

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