



## **Clinical Guidance**

#### Paediatric Critical Care: Intubation Guideline

#### Summary

The guideline sets out the steps for safe intubation. It details the indications and preparation for intubation and also the considerations to be taken if it is a high risk intubation. Information and steps are also included to follow if there is a difficult intubation or ventilation situation. This guideline can be used outside of the intensive care setting e.g. theatres/ ED/ ward areas.

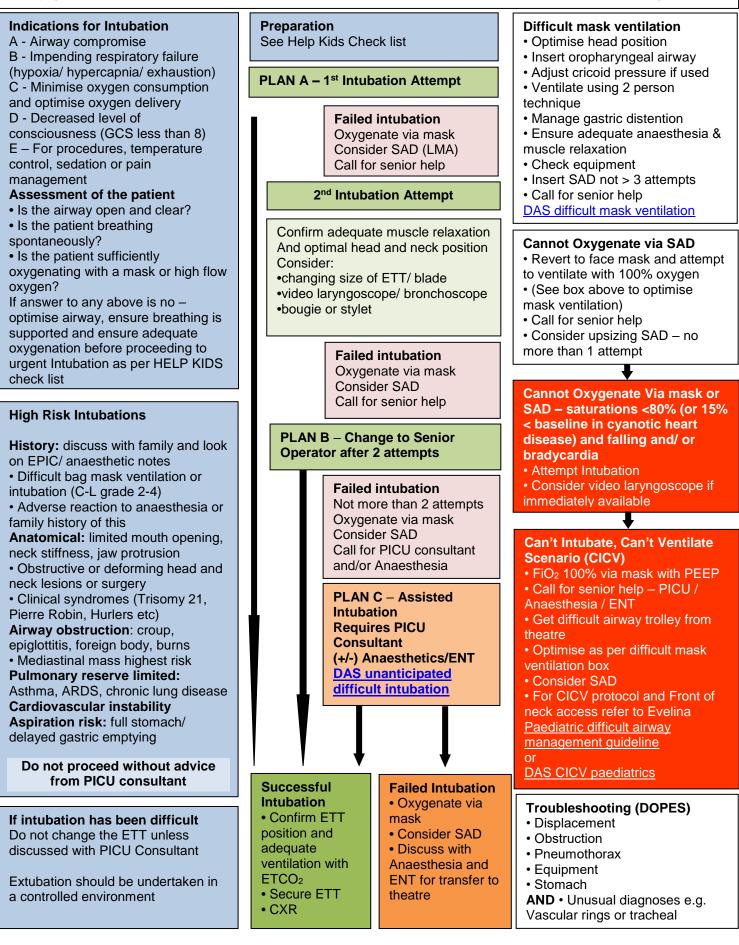
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Glossary: GCS-Glasgow Comma Scale, SAD-Supraglottic airway device

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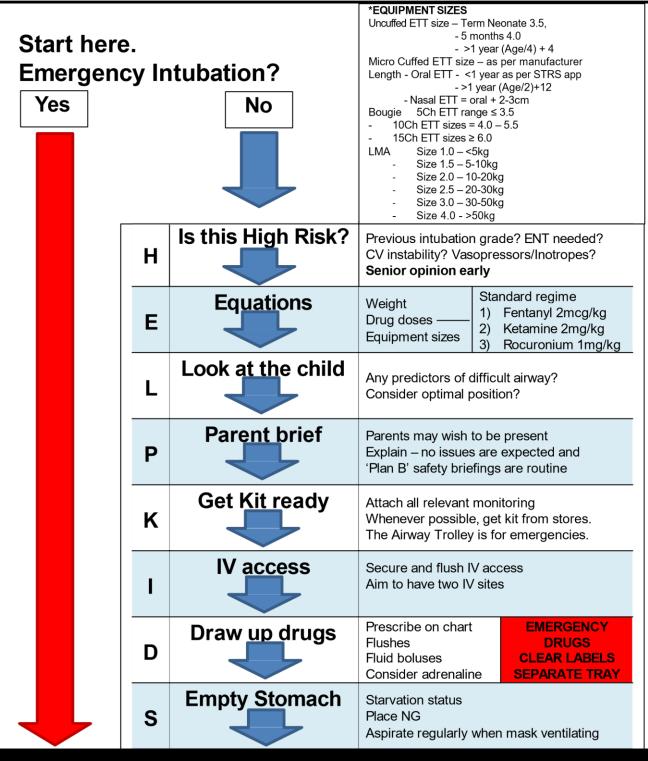
#### Oxygenation is the most important factor. No CO<sub>2</sub> Trace = Wrong Place



Reference: APA DAS Paediatric Difficult Airway Guidelines 2015



### Intubation Pathway – H.E.L.P.K.I.D.S.



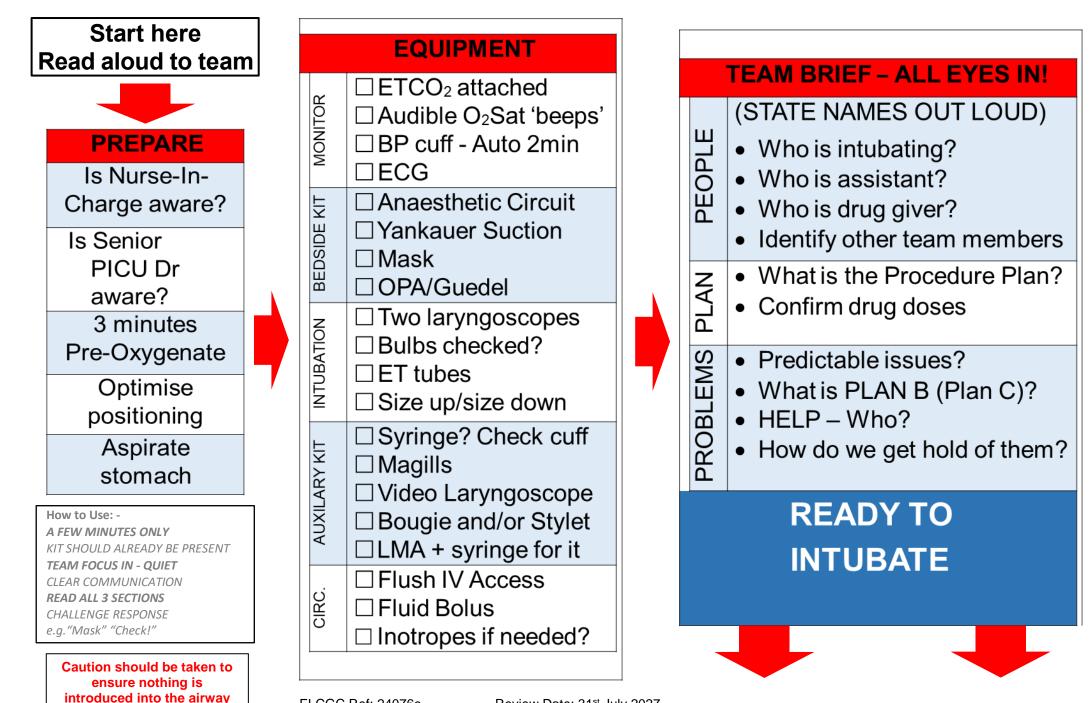
## TURN OVER TO <u>SIDE B</u> NOW – FINAL FAST CHECK

**Post Intubation** 

# ✓ Tapes – see STRS guideline ✓ Initiate sedation ✓ Start on ventilator ✓ Suction +/- BAL samples ✓ Chest XRay – Bleep 1188 ✓ Restock Airway Trolley

#### FINAL FAST PRE-INTUBATION CHECK - FOR ALL INTUBATIONS SIDE B





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