Intubation Quick Guide

INTUBATOR

Recommended sizes

8 for females

9 for males

Position

Normally 2cm more at the teeth

Method

Stylet or bougie essential

AIRWAY ASSISTANT

Checking the tube

Cuff may inflate lob sided. Roll cuff with fingers to prevent this

Tying the tube

All methods acceptable

Inflating the cuff

15-20ml volume via 20ml syringe.Check pressure then reaches 80cmH2OAttach to cuff pressure monitor when able.



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Inclusion

- 1. > 18 years old
- Expected to be ventilated for > 24 hours

Exclusion

- 1. Evidence that patient has already aspirated
- 2. Presenting to A+E GCS 7 or less
- 3. Pregnancy
- 4. Tracheostomy in situ or patient with gastrectomy



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