

EMERGENCY INTUBATION CHECKLIST

Is a difficult airway anticipated? If YES, CALL ANESTHESIA.

PATIENT PREPARED?

- **Functioning IV/IO**
- **Expose patient**
- **Optimize patient position**
- **Pre-oxygenate patient**
- **Failed intubation backup plan?**

EQUIPMENT READY?

- **Suction**
 - rigid suction catheter turned onto max
- **Oxygen**
 - mask
 - bag-valve
 - anesthesia circuit
- **Airway equipment**
 - working laryngoscope and blade
 - ETT plus extra 0.5 smaller size
 - lubricated stylet
 - oral airways
 - LMA
- **Pharmacologic agents**
 - induction/paralytic drugs
 - fluids / vasopressor?
- **Monitoring Equipment**
 - SaO₂
 - ECG
 - BP
 - ETCO₂

TEAM READY?

- **Gown, glove and eye protection**
- **Team leader identified**
- **RT**
- **Nurse to administer medications**

PLAN FOR CONSEQUENCES

- **Successful intubation?**
 - secure ETT
 - ongoing sedation / paralysis
 - ventilation parameters set
- **Failed intubation backup plan?**
- **Document procedure in chart**