



RSI Checklist

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EMERGENCY INDUCTION CHECKLIST

Prepare Patient

- Is preoxygenation optimal?
 - $ETO_2 > 90\%$
 - Consider CPAP
- Is the patient's position optimal?
 - Consider sitting up
- Can the patient's condition be optimised any further before intubation?
- How will anaesthesia be maintained after induction?

Prepare Equipment

- What monitoring is applied?
 - Capnography
 - SpO_2 probe
 - ECG
 - Blood pressure
- What equipment is checked and available?
 - Self-inflating bag
 - Working suction
 - Two tracheal tubes
 - Two laryngoscopes
 - Bougie
 - Supraglottic airway device
- Do you have all the drugs required?
 - Consider ketamine
 - Relaxant
 - Vasopressor

Prepare Team

- Allocate roles;
 - Team leader
 - First Intubator
 - Second Intubator
 - Cricoid Pressure
 - Intubator's Assistant
 - Drugs
 - MILS (if indicated)
 - Rescue airway
- How do we contact further help if required?

Prepare for difficulty

- If the airway is difficult, could we wake the patient up?
- What is the plan for a difficult intubation?
 - Plan A: RSI
 - Plan B: e.g. BMV
 - Plan C: e.g. ProSeal LMA
 - Plan D: e.g. Front of neck
- Where is the relevant equipment, including alternative airway?
 - DO NOT START UNTIL AVAILABLE
- Are any specific complications anticipated?

This Checklist is not intended to be a comprehensive guide to preparation for induction

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