This patient has a

# **New TRACHEOSTOMY**

Patient ID:

Patient Label / Details

Tracheostomy:

including cuff or inner tube Add tube specification

mm distal length mm ID,

Suction:

FG Catheter to Depth

Indicate on this diagram any sutures in place

UPPER AIRWAY ABNORMALITY: Yes / No

Document laryngoscopy grade and notes on upper airway management or patient specific resuscitation plans

(by ENT ONLY) Due 1st tracheostomy change:

Follow the Emergency Paediatric Tracheostomy Management Algorithm on reverse In an Emergency: Call 2222 and request the Resuscitation Team and ENT surgeon

asic Response

# **Emergency Paediatric Tracheostomy Management**

# SAFETY - STIMULATE - SHOUT FOR HELP - OXYGEN

SAFE: Check Safe area, Stimulate, and Shout for help, CALL 2222 (hospital) or 999 (home)

AIRWAY: Open child's airway: head tilt / chin lift / pillow or towel under shoulders may help

Capnograph: Ensure high flow oxygen to the tracheostomy AND the face as soon as oxygen available

Exhaled carbon dioxide waveform may indicate a patent airway (secondary responders)

# SUCTION TO ASSESS TRACHEOSTOMY PATENCY

Yes

Remove any attachments: humidifier (HME), speaking valve and change inner tube (if present)

Inner tubes need re-inserting to connect to bagging circuits

Can you pass a SUCTION catheter?

The tracheostomy tube is patent

Perform tracheal suction Consider partial obstruction

Consider tracheostomy tube change

**CONTINUE ASSESSMENT (ABCDE)** 

# EMERGENCY TRACHEOSTOMY TUBE CHANGE

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IF UNSUCCESSFUL – REMOVE THE TUBE

IS THE PATIENT BREATHING? - Look, listen and feel at the mouth and tracheostomy/stoma

# No

**5 RESCUE BREATHS – USE TRACHEOSTOMY IF PATENT** 

Patent Upper Airway – deliver breath to the mouth
Obstructed Upper Airway – deliver breath to tracheostomy/stoma

CHECK FOR SIGNS OF LIFE? - START CPR

15 compressions : 2 rescue breaths
Ensure help or resuscitation team called

Yes

RESPONDS: continue oxygen, reassessment and stabilisation

Plan for definitive airway if tube change failure

# Primary emergency oxygenation

Standard **ORAL airway** manoeuvres **may be appropriate**.

If so **cover the stoma** (swabs / hand).

Use:

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Prepare for difficult intubation

'Difficult Airway' Expert and Equipment\*\*

# Attempt intubation of STOMA

3.0 ID tracheostomy tube / ETT

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