



RSI Checklist



Plan Ahead

- Will airway be difficult? Will physiology suffer (BP, SpO₂)?**
- Glidescope/C-MAC → Bougie → iGel → Surgical airway (Cric)

Equipment (Rule of 2's)

- 2 Wall Suction:** 1 under mattress on right
- 2 Wall Oxygen:** NC + NRB mask
- 2 Laryngoscopes:** Glidescope/C-MAC + Back-up DL blade
- 2 ET Tubes:** 8.0/7.5 (male) or 7.5/7.0 (female)
- 2 Stylets:** Rigid + Flexible
- 2 Backup Devices:** Bougie + iGel
- 2 Drugs:** Sedative + Paralytic - see reverse
- BVM w/ PEEP valve + OPA + Waveform EtCO₂**
- Cricothyrotomy: Scalpel, Bougie, 6.0 ET tube

Patient Preparation

- Preoxygenation:**
 - NC @ 15 L/min + NRB face mask @ max
 - If SpO₂ < 95%: add PEEP (BiPAP → BVM+PEEP valve → DSI)
- Resuscitation:**
 - If Shock Index > 0.8 or Sys BP < 110: **Begin Resuscitation First!**
 - Trauma/Hemorrhage → PRBCs +/- FFP
 - Other Shock States → IVF bolus +/- Norepi
- Positioning:**
 - Head of bed 15-30° vs. Reverse Trendelenburg
 - Remove C-collar (stabilize neck w/ assistant), Remove dentures

Post-Intubation

- Sedation:** *Fentanyl bolus* (100 mcg) + *Propofol* (start 20 mcg/kg/min)
- Monitor hemodynamics** → Cycle BP q 2-3 min
- Vent Bundle** in MedHost

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Intubation Medications		
Drug*	Dose**	Onset/Duration
Etomidate	0.3 mg/kg	15sec/10min
	0.15 mg/kg (hypotensive)	
Ketamine	2 mg/kg	30sec/20min
	0.5 - 1 mg/kg (hypotensive)	
Succinylcholine	1.5 mg/kg	45sec/10min
Rocuronium	1 mg/kg	60sec/60min

*All except etomidate can be safely dosed slightly higher than calculated, when in doubt err on the high side.

**If at risk for hemodynamic collapse -> increase paralytic dose by 50%, decrease sedative dose by 50%.

Induction Agent

Paralytic