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DIRECTOR GENERAL OF HEALTH MALAYSIA FORWARD MESSAGE

Ministry of Health is currently intensifying health care delivery as part of the Millennium Development Goals as there is a growing acknowledgement that optimal health care cannot be delivered by simply ensuring coexistence of infrastructure, medical supplies and health care providers. Strengthening our health care delivery requires a deliberate focus on quality of health services, which involves providing effective, safe, patient-centred care that is timely, equitable, integrated and efficient. There are three sub-disciplines

in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services, which are Anaesthesia (Anaesthesiologist Assistant - AA), Intensive Care Unit (Intensive Care Technologist - ICT) and Peri-anaesthesia (Anaesthetic Assistant and Technologist - AAT). This Standard Practice Guidelines (SPG) are prepared for AMO working in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Services.

The SPG are aimed at providing useful information for quality patient management and I hope the guidelines will be used as primary source reference for AMO throughout the country in the execution of their duties and efforts to provide quality health care to the community. It is my sincere hope that this SPG endeavour AMO in clinical practice to move to greater heights. It also serves to enhance the quality standards management of patients by AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services.

I believe with the adoption of this first edition, the services rendered by AMO will be enhanced to its optimum level. It also will serve as a reference to those who are new in the field of anaesthesia and intensive care services. I am delighted as in this SPG, the role and responsibilities of AMOs are deliberately explained. In recognizing the competency of the AMOs in each subspeciality, credentialling already ongoing process, which has started on 2018. I am confident the SPG will be well accepted. We will ensure that updates with new emerging protocols, activities and procedures will be introduced in future editions in line with current practice.

I am always impressed with efforts to strive for excellence in service delivery and such efforts by the AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services are most commendable indeed. On behalf of the Ministry of Health, I would like to extend my distinguished congratulations to the Medical Practices Division, Assistant Medical Officers Services Section and esteemed Anaesthesiologists, as well as the AMO Technical Committee for their tireless efforts and commitment to publish the 1st Edition of Standard Practice Guidelines for AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services. My personal heart-warming appreciation tributes to AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services throughout the country who uphold high standard of professionalism in the execution of their duties in order to provide quality health care to the community. The Ministry of Health Malaysia takes special pride in the fraternity's continuous determination for excellence in service delivery to the nation.

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Throughout the years, the standard of practice among the Assistant Medical Officers in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services under Ministry of Health has shown some great enhancement in clinical practice for the better management of patient care. It is noted many years back, as there were few reference documents available, these Assistant Medical Officer need

to learn from their seniors through hands-on training with guidance of Anaesthesiologists and Intensivists to acquire knowledge and skills in providing good quality of patient care.

It is time to have a dedicated SPG for AMOs in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services as it will provide a greater impact on the services and performance of AMO in their clinical settings. This SPG is very essential and relevant in the current practice of AMOs in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services with the aim of having uniformity and standardization with consistency of practice in this discipline where performance of AMO could be strengthened. We believe with the adoption of this new SPG, the services rendered by AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services will be enhanced to its optimum level. It also will serve as a reference to those who are new in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services.

It is our sincere hope that this new version of SPG would form part of an important document to be complied with by the AMO in providing better care to patients. It is noted the task in preparing the new edition is not an easy one, where it requires good leadership, teamwork, commitment, knowledge and dedication. With that, I would like to congratulate to those involved in developing this first edition of SPG for AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services and our heartfelt appreciation to them for their passion and endless effort.

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HIEAD OF SERVICE FORWARD MESSAGE

The Anaesthetic and Intensive Care Service is arguably one of the biggest services in the hospitals. With increasing demands from the public and clinicians, the anaesthetic departments face many encounters in meeting these expectations. Clearly, there is a need for this critical service to be delivered in an efficient, structured and coordinated manner consistent with the vision and mission of the Ministry of Health. I believe that with this in mind, the idea of developing the Standard Practice Guideline (SPG) by Assistant Medical Officers Services Section was mooted. I would like to

congratulate all those who have contributed by sharing their experience and knowledge during the preparation of SPG.

The first structured form of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Services by Assistant Medical Officer was published in 2007, which only cover roles of Assistant Medical Officers (AMO) in Anaesthesia (East Malaysia). Currently the new SPGs for AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services are formed is a written instruction of a particular procedure which consist of scope, purpose, materials or equipment, work process, references, flow chart and revision history. It is vital for AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care services so that quality and uniformity is maintained all times. Therefore, it is necessary for AMO to adhere to the SPG while carrying out their duties.

I believe this first edition of SPG for Assistant Medical Officer in Intensive Care Unit (Intensive Care Technologists – ICT) and Peri-anaesthesia (Anaesthetic Assistant and Technologist - AAT) will provide a greater impact on the services and performance of AMO. This SPG is very essential and relevant in the current practice of AMO in anaesthesia and intensive care services with the aim of having uniformity and standardization with consistency of practice in this discipline where performance of AMO could be strengthened.

This SPG will also benefit AMO managers in formulating local hospital policies and procedures, coordinating interdepartmental collaboration, and planning for facilities and service development, thereby ensuring that available resources are utilised optimally. This handbook is excellent as a guide to all AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care service who are learning as well as for those already active in the practice.

Overall, I hope that this book will be very useful for all AMO and I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all of the contributors for their outstanding work and hope this SPG will be a useful reference for all AMO. Lastly, I would like to thank Medical Practices Division, Assistant Medical Officers Services Section and esteemed Anaesthesiologists, as well as the AMO Technical Committee for their tireless efforts and commitment to publish the 1st Edition of Standard Practice Guidelines for AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Service

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HIEAD OF ASSISTANT MEDICAL OFFICER MESSAGE

Despite many achievements of our healthcare delivery system in the past and present, an increasingly expectancy on better services from our Assistant Medical Officers (AMO) from public continues. Clearly, there is still much room to improve AMO services. Better approaches and processes for the delivery of hospital-based services have to be articulated and implemented, and we should have the fortitude and courage to put planned approaches into action.

We also need to ensure that proper structures are put in place in our hospitals that are acceptable, evidence-based, outcome-oriented, quality driven, practical, and above all suit the needs and benefits of our patients in order to meet the requirement of AMO Professional Development Plan (6P) 2016-2030 by Assistant Medical Officers Services Section. Having a well-documented SPG for AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care service as this will help to ensure that services are executed efficiently, while utilising existed resources. SPG shall be among our strategies to improve the AMO services in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care, apart from measures like infrastructural and human capital development.

This SPG will achieve uniformity, standardization, correctness, accuracy and effectiveness as well consistency in performance and competency of AMO in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care service. Hence, compliance to SPG would ensure patient's safety in accordance to Ministry Of Health policies and guidelines. Developing this SPG, I am sure, this is a challenging task to the committee. It requires a great depth of knowledge, consistency, team approach and the courage to decide on what should constitute standard methods. I deeply indebted to the esteemed Anaesthesiologists, Intensivist and AMO Technical Committee of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care service for their indefatigable efforts upon completion of this SPG. I would like to express my gratitude to the Anaesthesia and Intensive Care fraternity for their involvement in producing of this new format of SPG.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATION		
ABG	Arterial Blood Gas.	
ABP	Arterial Blood Pressure.	
ART	Artery.	
AED	Automated External Defibrillator.	
ALS	Advance Life Support.	
AFBI	Awake Flexible Bronchoscope Intubation.	
AGSS	Anaesthetic Gas Scavenging System.	
AMO	Assistant Medical Officer.	
APS	Acute Pain Service.	
ASA	American Society of Anaesthesiologist.	
ASIS	Asset & Service Information System.	
BAL	Bronchoalveolar Lavage.	
BEMS	Biomedical Engineering Maintenance Services.	
BHT	Bed Head Ticket.	
BIS	Bispectral Index.	
BP	Blood Pressure.	
BPP	Basic Procedure Pack.	
BURP	Backward, Upward, Rightward Pressure.	
BVF	Bacterial Viral Filter.	
BVM	Bag Valve Mask.	
СА	Concession Agreement.	
cm	centimetre.	
cmH2O	centimetre water.	
CNS	Central Nervous System.	
CFI	Cardiac Function Index.	

CNS	Central Nervous System.	
со	Cardiac Output.	
CO2	Carbon Dioxide.	
CI	Cardiac Index.	
cco	Continuous Cardiac Output.	
CPAP	Continuous Positive Airway Pressure.	
CSE	Combine Spinal Epidural.	
CSF	Cerebrospinal Fluid.	
СТ	Computed Tomography.	
CVP	Central Venous Pressure.	
CVS	Cardiovascular System.	
DAS	Difficult Airway Society.	
ECT	Electroconvulsive Therapy.	
EBB	Endobronchial Blocker.	
eFEMS	Electronic Facility Engineering Maintenance Services.	
ERCP	Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography.	
ETCO2	End Tidal Carbon Dioxide.	
ETT	Endotracheal Tube.	
EVLW	Extravascular Lung Water.	
EVLWI	Extravascular Lung Water Index.	
FFP	Filtering Face-piece Respirator.	
FiO2	Fraction of Inspired Oxygen.	
Fr	French Scale Measurement System.	
GA	General Anaesthesia.	
GCS	Glasgow Coma Scale.	

GEDI	Global End Diastolic-Volume Index.	
GEDV	Global End Diastolic Volume.	
нсพ	Health Care Worker.	
HEPA	High Efficiency Particulate Air.	
HFNC	High Flow Nasal Cannula.	
HLD	High Level Disinfectant.	
HME	Heat Moisture Exchanger.	
HSIP	Hospital Specific Implementation Plan.	
HSS	Hospital Support Service.	
IBP	Invasive Blood Pressure.	
ICL	Invasive Cardiac Laboratory.	
ICP	Intra Cranial Pressure.	
ICU	Intensive Care Unit.	
IPPA	Inspection, Palpation, Percussion, Auscultation.	
IPPV	Intermittent Positive-Pressure Ventilation.	
ITBV	Intrathoracic Blood Volume.	
ITBI	Intrathoracic Blood-Volume Index.	
IV	Intravenous.	
LMA	Laryngeal Mask Airway.	
L/min	Litre per minute.	
LAST	Local Anaesthetic Systemic Toxicity.	
MAC	Minimum Alveolar Concentration.	
MAD	Mucosal Atomization Device.	
MDI	Metered Dose Inhaler.	
МН	Malignant Hyperthermia.	

ml	millilitre.	
MLT	Microlaryngoscopy Tube.	
mmHg	millimetre mercury.	
МО	Medical Officer.	
MR	Magnetic Resonance.	
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging.	
MySpa	Sistem Pemantauan Pengurusan Aset Kerajaan Malaysia.	
NBM	Nil By Mouth.	
NIV	Non-invasive Ventilator.	
N/Saline	Normal Saline.	
N2O	Nitrous Oxide.	
NMBA	Neuromuscular Blocking Agent.	
NORA	Non-Operating Room Anaesthesia.	
OPA	Oropharyngeal Airway.	
ОТ	Operation Theatre.	
02	Oxygen.	
OR	Operation Room.	
PAPR	Powered Air Purifying Respirator.	
PCA	Patient Controlled Analgesia.	
PiCCO	Pulse Index Contour Cardiac Output.	
POG	Project Operational Guidelines.	
PPE	Personnel Protective Equipment.	
psi	per square inch.	
PISS	Pin Index Safety System.	
RR	Respiration Rate.	

RSI	Rapid Sequence Intubation.
SAB	Subarachnoid Block.
SGA	Supraglottic Airway.
SpO2	Saturation of Peripheral Oxygen.
SSSL	Safe Surgery Safe Life.
SV	Stroke Volume.
SVI	Stroke Volume Index.
SVR	Systemic Vascular Resistance.
SVRI	Systemic Vascular Resistance Index.
SVV	Stroke Volume Variation.
ТСІ	Target Controlled Infusion.
TIVA	Total Intravenous Anaesthesia.

STANDARD PRACTICE GUIDELINES FOR AMO IN ANAESTHESIA AND INTENSIVE CARE SERVICES

A.1. CLEANING, DECONTAMINATION AND STERILIZATION OF MEDICAL APPARATUS

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible for verifying any medical apparatus used in the provision of care to patients are being cleaned, disinfected and sterilized according to the current standards and hospital infection control guidelines.
Purpose	To achieve effective disinfection and sterilization of medical apparatus in order to prevent any transmission of infectious pathogens to patient and HCW.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE:- mask (3 ply or R95 or N95). goggles or face shield. lii. long-sleeved fluid repellent gown (isolation gown). iv. apron (long apron, disposable apron). v. gloves. vi. boots (shoes or boots cover). HLD. Detergent solution or enzymatic cleaning solution. Tap water. Tube dryer. Cleaning brush. Sterile or ultraviolet or disposable water filter. Drying cabinet. Transparent plastic bag. Sealer machine.

	1. Hand hygiene.
	2. Wear an appropriate PPE.
	3. Receive soil item.
	4. Dismantle all items.
	5. Prepare detergent solution (refer manufacturer
	recommendation for dilution and contact time).
	 Clean with brush and rinse with running water to remove visible foreign material.
	 Prepare HLD (refer manufacturer recommendation for dilution and contact time).
Work Process	8. Soak accordingly to manufacturer recommendation.
	9. Rinse with sterile or ultraviolet or medical water filter.
	10. Dry in drying cabinet.
	11. Assemble, pack and storage.
	12. Documentation.
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Appendix A.1.

FLOW CHART CLEANING, DECONTIMINATION & STERILIZATION OF MEDICAL AND NON-MEDICAL APPARATUS



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A.2. MANAGEMENT IN TRANSPORTATION OF CRITICALLY ILL PATIENT

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to conduct intrahospital and interhospital transportation of critically ill patient.
Purpose	To ensure patient safety during transportation by providing an equivalent or higher degree of monitoring and medical care.
	1. PPE.
	2. Ventilator; transport.
	3. Oxygen cylinder.
Materials /	4. Schrader valve regulator or pin index regulator.
Equipment	5. Physiological monitor; transport.
	6. Resuscitation kit.
	7. Pump; infusion; syringe.
	8. Pump; suction, transport.
	9. Defibrillator or AED.
	10. Documentation: Referral record, BHT.
	1. Hand hygiene.
	2. Wear an appropriate PPE.
	3. Test and prepare equipment for transportation.
	 Observe and monitor haemodynamically status of patient. If unstable, inform MO or specialist.
Work Process	 Setting up ventilator parameters as per order by MO or spe- cialist or based on previous ventilator setting and connect ventilator circuits to patient.
	 Monitor closely for any hemodynamic changes during transportation.
	7. Documentation

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Flow Chart	Refer Appendix A.2.
Revision history	Not applicable.

Appendix A.2.

FLOW CHART MANAGEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CRITICALLY ILL PATIENT



A.3. REPROCESSING AND PREPARATION OF BAG VALVE MASK DEVICE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in reprocessing (according to hospital infection control guidelines) and preparation of BVM to ensure it is functioning well before use on patient.
Purpose	To ensure BVM functioning well and safe to use on patient.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Bag valve mask device. Oxygen tubing. Storage container. Transparent plastic bag. HLD.
Work Process	 Cleaning: hand hygiene. wear an appropriate PPE. dismantle the bag valve mask parts ensure all parts are complete. check the valves and reservoir bag are intact. wash all the BVM parts thoroughly with running water before soaking in the HLD solution. rinse in sterile water and dry it in drying cabinet. Assemble: ensure all parts are assemble according to manufacturer operating manual: face mask. expiratory valve. pressure relief valve. self-inflating bag. air-inlet and pressure release valves. air-inlet one-way valve. reservoir bag.

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onnector. e watching the ane confirms that air mosphere instead of f-inflating bag.

 vii. reservoir flap valves: attach patient valve to the reservoir bag. fill the bag with ambient air. attach reservoir bag to the intake valve and press on reservoir bag. squeeze the reservoir bag and visual rise of the outlet flap valve as it confirms the reservoir valve efficiently vents excessive gas to atmosphere. with the patient valve in place, attach the reservoir assembly to the intake valve. perform several compression-release cycles on the self-inflating bag until reservoir bag is flat and empty. rapid re-expansion of the self-inflating bag after flattening of the reservoir bag and visual movement of the inlet membrane confirm the reservoir valve efficiently lets in ambient air to compensate for lack of gas in the reservoir or insufficient gas flow through oxygen tubing and nipple. 4. Storage:
i etere in storage container er transparent plastic bag
for the next patient use.
5. Documentation.

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Revision history	Not applicable.
Flow Chart	Refer Appendix A.3.
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Appendix A.3.

FLOW CHART REPROCESSING AND PREPARATION OF BAG VALVE MASK DEVICE



A.4. PREPARATION AND SETTING UP OF CAPNOGRAPHY MONITORING

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to facilitate measurement and monitoring of patient's end tidal carbon dioxide concentration using graphic and numeric display.
Purpose	To provide continuous and instantaneous measurement of physiologic information on ventilation and be able to identify potential breathing complications (airway obstruction, hyperventilation, hypoventilation or apnoea).
Materials / Equip- ment	 PPE. Gas sampling line (150cm to 200cm in length). Capnography module (main-stream or side-stream). Capnometer (with display of end tidal carbon dioxide waveform and numeric). Water trap.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Assemble gas sampling line between the patient end and capnography module. For mainstream method, end tidal CO2 sensor and a sampling cell are integrated into a small device adaptor that connects directly at the airway between the breathing circuit and ETT. Calibrate the capnometer (follow manufacturer's recommendations). Check for presence of capnography waveform upon exhale at patient end. Documentation: document any related information and inform MO or specialist if any abnormalities observed.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix A.4.
Revision	Not applicable
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Appendix A.4.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND SETTING UP CAPNOGRAPHY MONITORING



A.5. PREPARATION AND SETTING UP OF PRESSURE TRANSDUCER SYSTEM

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to assist in preparation of pressure transducer system on critically ill patients that requires close monitoring in ICU.		
Purpose	To provide MO or specialist with real-time access to their patient's haemodynamic and cardiovascular status in anaesthesia and intensive care settings.		
Materials / Equipment	 Physiological monitoring system with IBP capability. Pressure transducer kit. Non-compressible rigid-walled, fluid filled tubing, length of 150-200cm. Transducer cable – interface connection with physiological monitor. Normal Saline 0.9% 500ml. Pressure infusion bag (500ml) at 300mmHg - automated slow infusion (1-3ml/hr) of pressurized saline (exclude for ICP). IV pole (if applicable). Transducer holder (attach to IV pole). 		
Work Process	 Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation of the equipment. Set up the kit: prepare the pressure infusion bag and transducer system (exclude for ICP). open the pre-packed pressure transducer kits, using aseptic technique. 		

	4. Insert the N/Saline into the pressure bag (exclude for ICP)			
	and hang it on the IV pole.			
	 Flush the entire system, including the transducer, stopcock, and pressure tubing, with the flush solution. 			
	6. Replace the vented cap on the stopcock with a non-vented			
	cap.			
	7. Connecting the tv tubing to a pressure infusion bag of tv/			
	Juffate the processing influeion has to 200mmLis (evolution for			
	0 Monitor sotup:			
	i turn on the physiologic monitor			
	ii nlug the pressure cables into the appropriate			
	nressure modules or jacks in the bedside monitor			
	iii some monitors are pre-programmed to display the			
	waveform that corresponds to the module or jack			
	(e.g., first position, arterial: second position, PA: third			
	position, RA).			
	iv. select the desired waveform label.			
Work	40 Lovel the exterior line of the reliable static suis			
Process	10. Level the arterial line at the phiebostatic axis.			
	12. Colibrate the transducer into the pole mount transducer holder.			
	i suspend the monitor alarms			
	ii turn off the three-way stop cock connector tap at the			
	transducer. This blocks all pressure readings from			
	the patient			
	iii. remove the cap.			
	iv. select the "ART or ABP" parameter display on the			
	monitor.			
	v. press the "Zero" icon.			
	vi. flattened pressure waveform will be appear and the			
	pressure value will be seen to return to '0'.			
	vii. turn off to air the three-way stop cock at the			
	transducer, replace the red cap and turn on towards			
	the patient.			
	viii. the pressure waveform and values will reappear on			
	the monitor.			
	13. Observe limb perfusion distal to the insertion site especially			
	when withdrawing blood or flushing the cannula.			

Work Process	 Ensure the pressure transducer system are well secured at a secondary anchorage point to reduce the risk of accidental removal. Pressure transducer system needs to be re-calibrated upon disconnection of patient. Continuous monitoring the pressure transducer waveform and troubleshoot if needed. Documentation. 				
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix A.5.				
Revision history	Not applicable.				

Appendix A.5.

FLOW CHART OF PRESSURE TRANSDUCER SYSTEM



A.6 PREPARATION AND REPROCESSING OF HIGH FLOW NASAL CANNULA DEVICE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparation and reprocessing of HFNC device according to hospital infection control guidelines and perform troubleshooting according to manufacturer protocols.			
Purpose	To accomplishes reduction of nasopharyngeal airway resistance, leading to improved ventilation and oxygenation through the application of a positive pressure environment.			
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. HFNC. Disinfection wipes. Humidifier chamber. Heated inspiratory circuit. Nasal Cannula. Sterile distilled water 500ml (IV bottle). Physiological Monitoring System. Oxygen flow meter and tubing. 			
Work Process	 Pre-use: hand hygiene. wear an appropriate PPE. install adapters on two vertical interfaces of water chamber according to the direction and press tightly with force. install the water chamber in place. connect infusion line with distilled water to chamber. sterile distilled water bottle must run freely and be placed high above the humidifier to achieve free flow of water into the humidifier. connect the device to the oxygen outlet and power source. switch on the device and allow to warm up before use. select the right mode with the right category of patient (adult or paediatric). place nasal cannula on patient;			

	2. Intra-use:			
	i. the patient interface and head band are adjusted, so			
	that the patient feels comfortable.			
	ii. always ensure that the water chamber and distilled			
	water bottle are not dry.			
	iii. monitor patient's SpO2 status.			
	iv. titrate FiO2 and flow rate as required.			
Work				
Process	3. Post-use:			
	i. once cannula is removed, immediately switch off the			
	device.			
	II. disconnect from oxygen outlet.			
	III. remove and discard HFNC set.			
	IV. disinfect HFINC device as per manufacturer			
	4. Documentation.			
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Flow Chart	Refer Appendix A.6.
Revision history	Not applicable.

Appendix A.6.

FLOW CHART MANAGEMENT OF HIGH FLOW NASAL CANULA



A.7. PREPARATION AND REPROCESSING OF POWERED AIR PURIFYING RESPIRATOR

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to management and reprocessing of PAPR device according to hospital infection control guidelines.				
Purpose	To safeguard HCW against contaminated air or during performing high-risk aerosol generating procedures.				
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Filtering face piece respirator or N95 mask. Face piece or visor or long hood. Hose. HEPA filter. Blower unit. Battery pack (power source). Waist band. 				
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Connect the airflow indicator tube to the air supply outlet in blower unit. Turn ON the PAPR. Hold blower unit and ensure flow meter in a vertical position at eye level (follow the manufacturer's recommendations). Perform pre-test as recommended by manufacturer. Do not use the PAPR if test failed and refer to Appendix A.8. Donning and doffing are performed as per infection control guidelines. Consideration for filter change, if: there is airflow blockage alarm either by sound alarm or change in the colour. visibly dirty, wet, damaged or bad odour. the device does not pass the airflow test even with a fully charged battery. after 30 days from initial use as per manufacturer recommendation. 				

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	9.	Decon	tamination procedures:
		i.	while wearing gloves, disconnect all component
			parts of PAPR; battery pack, breathing hose and
			head hood from the blower unit.
		ii.	inspect all parts for any damage.
		iii.	clean the external surfaces with HLD spray (head-
			hood, blower unit, battery pack).
		iv.	replace the plastic cover of breathing hose after
			each use and immersed in water for cleaning if
			visibly dirty or contaminated.
		V.	disinfect all component parts by using antimicrobial wipes.
		vi.	do not spray the blower unit directly.
		vii.	do not clean cartridges or filters.
		viii.	wipe the interior part of the hood with an
			antimicrobial wipe.
		ix.	allow air dry for the blower unit, breathing hose,
Work Process			battery pack, and hood or helmet.
	10.	Storag	e:
		i.	store in a clean, contaminant free environment,
			protected from prolonged exposure to heat, sunlight,
			radiation and chemicals.
		ii.	the motor or blower should be run at least once
			per year for 5 minutes to ensure continued proper
			lubrication of the motor according to manufacturer
			recommendations.
		iii.	PAPR filters should not be stored long-term in
			the motor or blower as this may damage the filter
			gasket.
		IV.	the battery must be charged after each use.
		V.	теспатуе те рацегу раск.
	11.	Docur	nentation

	Aerosol Generating Procedures https://www.rdash.nhs.uk/ wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Appendix-46-Aerosol- Generating Procedures
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Flow Chart	Refer to appendix A.7.
Revision history	Not applicable.

Appendix A.7.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND PROCESSING PURIFIED AIR PURIFYING RESPIRATOR



A.8. HANDLING OF MALFUNCTION MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to facilitate and coordinate in handling of malfunction equipment according to HSS guideline.				
Purpose	To minimize interruption in services and patient safety are not compromised as the result of malfunctioned equipment.				
Materials / Equip- ment	 Computer. Networking – ASIS, MySpa. Malfunction equipment. KEW.PA-9. Breakdown logbook. COC Form. 				
Work Process	 Identify malfunction equipment and labelled as malfunction. Call HSS help desk immediately. Receive work order number from HSS and end user record it in breakdown logbook. Physical respond by HSS – response time: BEMS emergency (critical equipment within 15 minutes). normal (non-critical equipment within 2 hours). emergency (criticalequipment within 30 minutes). normal (non-critical equipment within 3 hours). User verify work order and acknowledging response time. Onsite repair by HSS; if onsite repair successful, user verify it before closing the work order. if onsite repair unsuccessful, HSS staffs are allowed to move the equipment to HSS workshop by filling up COC form (HSS) and KEW.PA-9 (user). 				

Work Process	 HSS provide a loan unit if equipment is not able to repair. HSS to submit repair progress after 7 working days to end user (feedback note). If repair is done within 7 working days, close the work order and KEW.PA-9. If loan unit not provided, end user request and gain consent from hospital director to initiate. Clause 12.1 (14 days): Government's Right to Procure Third Party. Clause 44.1 (emergency): 			
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Flow Chart	Refer to appendix A.8.			
Revision history	Not applicable.			

Appendix A.8.

FLOW CHART HANDLING OF MALFUNCTION MEDICAL EQUIPMENT



STANDARD PRACTICE GUIDELINES FOR AMO IN ANAESTHESIA SERVICES (PERI-ANAESTHESIA)

ANAESTHETIC ASSISTANT & TECHNOLOGISTS (AAT)

B.1. DECONTAMINATION OF ANAESTHETIC MACHINE, EQUIPMENT AND PHYSIOLOGIC MONITORS

Scope	AMO is responsible in decontamination of anaesthetic machine, equipment and physiologic monitors.	
Purpose	To ensure all equipment used are clean and safe for patients to reduce the risk of transmission of pathogens.	
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Anaesthetic machine. Anaesthetic equipment. Physiological monitoring system. Gauze. Drying machine. CO2 absorbent cannister. HLD (refer to current Guidelines on Infection Control in Anaesthesia). New circle breathing circuit with BVF and HME. Record book. 	
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Prepare anaesthetic equipment . Dismantle part of equipment. Decontamination: clean external parts of anaesthetic machine or ventilator and monitor with surface disinfectant wipes or HLD: before starting OT list. in between cases. when any visible foreign materials or stains. terminal cleaning:	

Work Process	 Reassemble : prepare cleaned anaesthetic machine, ventilator and monitors and ready to be used:
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix B.1.
Revision history	Not Applicable

Appendix B.1.

FLOW CHART DECONTAMINATION OF ANAESTHETIC MACHINE, EQUIPMENT AND PHYSIOLOGIC MONITORS



B.2. CHECKING GENERAL ANAESTHETIC MACHINE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in checking GA machine.		
Purpose	To ensure GA machine is in fully functioning for safe delivery of anaesthesia.		
Materials / Equipment	 Hand hygiene. PPE. Anaesthetic machine with ventilator and alarm system. gases: central supply – 58.01 psig (4 bar) O₂. N₂O. medical air. cylinders:		

Level One:	
-	performed by trained service personnel, of all systems before being placed into use. This applies to all new systems, as well as all systems after servicing or repair.
Level Two -	performed at the start of each anaesthetic list.
Level Three	performed before commencing anaesthesia for each patient.
 Power supply: i. plugged ii. switch o iii. back-up 	in to uninterrupted power supply (UPS). n. battery charged.
2. Gases i. check O2, - - - - - - - - - - - - -	N2O and medical air supply: central supply: • check central supply gas warning light. • correctly connected with tug test. • pressure gauge shown pressure @ ± 4 bar. cylinder supply: • disconnect central supply to the machine. • ensure: the pressure is appropriate. the cylinder can be turned on and off. the content is sufficient. no leak. • after completing the checks, turn off cylinder. test warning device on O2 failure. with N ₂ O and O ₂ flowing at 2 l/min, disconnect O ₂ supply. press O ₂ bypass button to release O ₂ pressure in machine. • ensure:
	Level One: - Level Two - Level Three - 1. Power supply: i. plugged ii. switch o iii. back-up 2. Gases i. check O2, - - - - - - - - - - - - -

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	 the pressure is appropriate. the cylinder can be turned on and off. the content is sufficient. no leak. after completing the checks, turn off cylinder. test warning device on O2 failure. with N₂O and O₂ flowing at 2 l/min, disconnect O₂ supply. press O₂ bypass button to release O2 - pressure in machine.
	 one gas test for anaesthetic machine (to eliminate possibility of crossed pressure hoses).
	- calibrate O ₂ sensor when indicated.
Work Process	 3. Flowmeters: ensure that flowmeter bobbins rotate freely within the column. urn off each flowmeter control and see O₂ flowmeter bobbin is at the minimum position (200-300 ml/min). verify the function of the O₂ supply failure warning and associated anti-hypoxic delivery system.
	 4. Vaporiser: ensure electricity is connected to vaporisers that required. check the level of inhalation agent. ensure: all filling ports are sealed. correct seating, locking and interlocking of detachable vaporisers or cassettes. iv. test for circuit leaks for each vaporiser in the "on" and "off" state. check for machine leaks upstream from the common gas outlet or breathing system, using a protocol appropriate for the anaesthesia delivery system.

	5.	Breathing Sy	stem:
		i. circle s	system:
Work Process			 inspect the breathing system to be used. connect and commence the tests as below: check the indicator colour of the carbon dioxide absorbent according to the manufacturer specifications. change when carbon dioxide absorbent 2/3 exhaustion or presence of CO₂ in rebreathing capnograph @ 5 mmHg. check the breathing system by closing APL valve to 30cmH₂O at a gas flow of 300 ml/min for 5 second: as a guide, the system should maintain a test pressure>30 cm H₂O at a gas flow of 300 ml/min for 5 seconds. test the integrity of the circle breathing system: connect a breathing bag to the patient Y- piece. set an appropriate fresh gas flow and ventilate the breathing system manually using a hand bagging method. observe inflation and deflation of the attached breathing bag, associated movement of visible unidirectional valves and feel the system has normal resistance and compliance. at the conclusion of the test, check for easy spill through the adjustable pressure limiting valve by simultaneously squeezing the hand bag and breathing bag.

Work Process	 Scavenging system: the scavenging flow is adjusted appropriately. ensure external ports or mechanical valves are not blocked. Other apparatus: HME. BVF. Documentation. Level three check: before starting anaesthesia for each patient. Check the inhalational anaesthesia delivery device (vaporiser) if it has been changed as in item No. 4. Check the breathing system if it has been changed as in item in No. 5. Check other apparatus as in item No. 7. Documentation of the level three check.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix B.2.a – B.2.f
Revision history	Not applicable

* As for newer generation of GA Machine – please follow manufacturer's manual

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Appendix B.2.a



FLOW CHART OF CHECKING GA MACHINE



Appendix B.2.b



FLOW CHART CHECKING OF FLOWMETER

Appendix B.2.c

FLOW CHART OF CHECKING OF VAPORIZER



Appendix B.2.d



FLOW CHART OF PRECIRCUIT LEAKS TEST

Appendix B.2.e

FLOW CHART BREATHING SYSTEM



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Appendix B.2.f

FLOW CHART CHECKING SCAVENGING SYSTEM



B.3. MANAGEMENT OF OPERATING ROOM BEFORE THE CONDUCT OF ANAESTHESIA

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in ensuring operating room is safe and optimized before administration of anaesthesia.
Purpose	To ensure safety conduct of anaesthesia.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. GA machine. Physiological monitoring system. Volatile agents. Intubation trolley. Suction apparatus via central supply or suction machine: suction catheter. suction tubing. suction tubing. yankauer tip. Warming devices: warming blanket or mattress. radiant warmer. infusion warming unit (single or double line). Intravenous solution: crystalloid. colloid. Case notes or BHT. SSSL form.
	1. Ensure operating room temperature and humidification.
Work Process	 ii. humidity – 50 – 60%. Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE.
	4. Prepare anaesthetic machine.
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	5. Prepare capnograph.
	6. Prepare intubation set.
	7. Prepare, test and perform suctioning.
Work	 Prepare and set warming apparatus – blanket, mattress and radiant warmer.
Process	 9. Intravenous requirement: i. prepare IV fluid. ii. GA Tray with anaesthetic drug.
	 Prepare other related equipment. Documentation.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix B.3.
Revision history	Not applicable.

Appendix B.3.

FLOW CHART MANAGEMENT OF OPERATING ROOM BEFORE THE CONDUCT OF ANAESTHESIA



B.4. FINAL ASSESSMENT OF PATIENT IN OPERATING THEATRE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in performing final assessment of patient undergoing anaesthesia.		
Purpose	To verify patient status before undergoing anaesthesia.		
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. SSSL form. GA form. Surgical consent. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent. Blood transfusion consent form. Physiological monitoring system. IV cannulation set. Warming devices. Documentation. 		
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Checking and registration (air lock): patient identification. procedure verification. register patient. ensure laboratory investigations results and chest X-ray obtained. Final assessment of patient in holding bay: check and reassess patient's haemodynamic status. general systems review by anaesthetist. check availability and function of intravenous access. prevent hypothermia by providing warming devices. continuous monitoring patient's hemodynamically until operating room is ready. 		

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Appendix B.4.



FLOW CHART OF FINAL ASSESSMENT OF PATIENT IN OPERATING THEATRE

B.5. ASSISTING IN ENDOTRACHEAL INTUBATION

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparing and assisting in endotracheal intubation.			
Purpose	To protect patient's airway, prevent aspiration and for the administration of general anaesthesia.			
Material / Equipment	 PPE. SSSL form. GA form. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent. Intubation – MALES: M: mask. medication. Magill Forcepss. machine or manual resuscitation bag. physiological monitoring system. A:			

	v. S:
	- stylet.
	- SGA.
	- stethoscope.
	- suction apparatus:
	- suction catheter: ½ size of ETT X 3.
	- yankauer – appropriate size.
	- syringe: 10ml or 20ml.
	 securing tape – anchoring ETT.
	- scissor.
Matorial /	- spatula.
Equipment	
	7. Medication:
	i. analgesia.
	ii. induction or sedative agent.
	iii. neuromuscular blocking agent.
	8. O-ring headrest.
	9. GA machine.
	10. Physiological monitoring system.
	11. Adequate IV access.
	12. Fluid management system.
	1. Hand hygiene.
	2. Wear an appropriate PPE.
	3. Preparation of equipment:
	i. MALES.
Work	ii. medication.
Process	iii. anaesthesia workstation.

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	4. Preparation of patient:				
	i. patient identification.				
	ii. procedure verification: consent.				
	iii. ensure IV line is patent and functioning.				
	iv. monitor haemodynamic parameters continuously.				
	v. place patient in sniffing position.				
	5. Assist MO or anaesthetist in intubation process:				
	i. apply BURP (backward, upward, rightward pressure)				
	manoeuvre (external laryngeal manipulation) on the				
	thyroid cartilage to improve visualization of larynx				
	during intubation – when needed.				
	ii. inflate ETT cuff (until leaking sound is disappeared				
	during auscultation)				
	or 5 – 10ml – where applicable.				
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WORK Process	iv. level of ETT – measures at incisor teeth:				
	i. female: 18 – 20cm.				
	ii. male: 20 – 22cm.				
	6. Connect to breathing circuit.				
	7. Confirmation of ETT placement:				
	i. visible chest rises.				
	ii. water vapor in ETT.				
	iii. capnograph – normal EtCO2 (35 – 45 mmHg).				
	iv. 5 – point auscultation: equal air entry.				
	v. evaluation of oxygenation via skin signs.				
	vi. chest X-Ray – when applicable.				
	8. Secure ETT with securing tape.				
	9. Connect to GA machine.				
	10. Continue haemodynamic monitoring.				

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Flow chart	Refer to Appendix B.5.
Revision history	Not applicable

Appendix B.5.



FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN ENDOTRACHEAL INTUBATION

B.6. ASSISTING IN EXTUBATION OF ENDOTRACHEAL TUBE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparing and assisting the extubation procedure.		
Purpose	Extubation is the removal of an ETT when the indication of intubation has been rectified.		
	 PPE. Intubation – MALES: M: mask. medication. magill forceps. machine or manual resuscitation bag. my physiological monitoring system. A: airway (oropharyngeal, nasopharyngeal). 		
Materials / Equipment	 5. L: laryngoscope (assorted size of blade & type, assorted handle). lubricant gel. 6. E: ETT – size according to patient. EtCO2 – confirmation of ETT placement. emergency trolley. 		
	 7. S: stylet. SGA. stethoscope. suction apparatus: suction catheter: ½ size of ETT X 3. yankauer – appropriate size. syringe: 10ml or 20ml. securing tape – anchoring ETT. scissor. spatula. 		

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	8. Medication:			
	i. reversal + anticholinergic and antisialagogue			
Materials / Equipment	 9. O-ring head rest. 10. GA machine or bag valve mask. 11. Physiological monitoring system. 12. Emergency trolley. 13. SSSL form. 14. GA form. 			
Work process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Determine the indication of intubation has been rectified. Reassess patient's condition on: MAC – MACawake < 0.5 (Operating Room). respiration – spontaneous breathing with good exhaled tidal volume. capnography reading: EtCO2 at 35 – 45 mmHg. CNS – alert & conscious or deep. CVS – blood pressure and pulse rate within 20% from pre anaesthetic value (OT). presence of gag and cough reflex. baseline arterial blood gas (ICU patient). Prop up position – 15 - 30°. Perform gentle endotracheal & oral suction. Assist MO or anaesthetist in extubation: remove or open securing tape. deflate ETT cuff. Administer O2 via face mask – when indicated. Continue haemodynamic monitoring. Documentation. 			

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Appendix B.6.

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN EXTUBATION OF ENDOTRACHEAL TUBE



B.7. ASSISTING IN AWAKE FLEXIBLE BRONCHOSCOPE INTUBATION

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in assisting in AFBI procedure.			
Purpose	То	To ensure safety of patient during procedure.		
Purpose Materials / Equipment	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19.	PPE. Flexible bronchoscope with monitor. Bronchoscope set. ETT or reinforced tube. Syringe: 5ml & 10ml. Water for irrigation. Plain white gauze. Lignocaine 2% (non-preservative). Lidocaine spray. Atomizer or Mucosal Atomization Device (MAD) if available. Suction tubing. Airway: optional Berman Airway. Endoscopy mask. Nasal cannula. Catheter mount. Nebulizer mask. BPP. SSSL form. GA form.		

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	1.	Hand hygiene.
	2.	Wear an appropriate PPE.
	3.	Preparation of patient:
		i. determine route for AFBI (nasal or oral).
		ii. explain to patient regarding AFBI procedure.
		iii. adequate intravenous access for drugs
		administration and volume expansion.
		iv. nebuliser 10ml of Lignocaine of 2% upon arrival.
	4.	Preparation of equipment:
		 Iayout equipment on trolley and maintain the sterility.
		prepare ETT according to patient or anaesthetist order, check for functionality and lubricate the cuff.
		iii. check for functioning of the flexible bronchoscope and lubricate the shaft.
Work Process		 pass the flexible bronchoscope through the ETT and secure it at the proximal of the flexible scope.
		v. check and perform white balance (if required).
		 vi. prepare two gallipots, fill up one with water for irrigation, another one with 10ml of Lignocaine 2%.
		 vii. syringe out 3ml Lignocaine 2% for spray-as-you- go technique.
		viii. connect suction tubing to suction port at the flexible bronchoscope.
	5.	Positioning of the patient
		 position patient according to anaesthetist order (sitting or supine).
		ii. make patient comfortable.
		iii. O2 supplement via nasal cannula 2-3 l/min during procedure.
		iv. continue monitoring patient.

	6.	Assist Mo or anaesthetist in intubation
		i. hand over flexible bronchoscope to anaesthetist.
		ii. once anaesthetist visualized the vocal cord, assist
		anaesthetist as ordered.
		iii. inflate the endotracheal tube cuff once in position.
		iv. assist MO or anaesthetist to remove the flexible
		bronchoscope when required:
		- ensure the ETT is held securely during removal
		of the scope to prevent dislodgement.
		- ensure the tip of flexible bronchoscope is in
		neutral position.
Work Broose		v. connect catheter mount to ETT.
WOIK PIOCess		vi. secure ETT once placement confirmed.
		vii. clean up flexible bronchoscope using gauze and
		flush out any secretion left in flexible bronchoscope
		using water for irrigation.
	7.	Documentation.
	8.	Cleaning of flexible bronchoscope.

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Appendix B.7.

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN AWAKE FLEXIBLE BRONCHOSCOPE INTUBATION



B.8. ASSISTING IN RAPID SEQUENCE INTUBATION

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in assisting in RSI.
Purpose	To achieve rapid control of the airway whilst minimising the risk of regurgitation and aspiration of gastric contents.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. SSSL form. GA form. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent (where applicable). Intubation – MALES. mask. medication. magill forceps. A:

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Materials / Equipment	 Medication: short acting opioid: fentanyl. induction agent: propofol or sodium thiopentone. neuromuscular blocking agent: suxamethonium or rocuronium. pre-treatment: iv lignocaine, atropine. O-ring head reast. GA Machine. Physiological monitoring system. Adequate IV access.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation equipment – as for intubation. Preparation of medication – as above. Preparation of patient: ensure IV line is patent and functioning. monitor haemodynamic parameters continuously. place patient in sniffing position. Assist anaesthetist: preoxygenation 3 – 5 minutes with 100% O2 or 4-8 vital capacity breaths. administration of short acting anaesthetic agent.

Work Process	 Connect to breathing circuit. Confirmation of ETT placement: visible chest rises. water vapor in ETT. capnograph – normal EtCO2. 5 – point auscultation: equal air entry. evaluation of oxygenation via skin signs. chest X-Ray – when applicable. Release cricoid pressure once ETT placement has been confirmed. Secure ETT with securing tape. Connect to GA machine.
	 Continuous monitoring patient. Documentation.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix B.8.
Revision history	Not applicable

Appendix B.8.





B.9. ASSISTING IN SUPRAGLOTTIC AIRWAY DEVICE INSERTION

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in assisting in SGA device insertion.	preparing and
Purpose	To allow ventilation, oxygenation, anaesthetic gase administration of	es. and
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Intubation equipment (MALES). SGA devices according to body weight of patie Introducer: Proseal or flexible LMA. Syringe: 20ml. Lubricant gel. O2 supply. GA form. SSSL form. 	ent.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Final assessment. Final checking and preparation of machine. Preparation of anaesthetic drugs. Preparation of patient. 	Refer to relevant procedure
	 7. Preparation of SGA devices: i. selection of size – according to patient's body weight. ii. standby 1 size bigger and 1 size smaller. iii. deflate cuff with cuff deflator (where applicable). iv. ensure stiff wedge and wrinkle free. v. lubricate the posterior SGA surface. vi. SGA device incorporated with a gastric drainage tube placed lateral to the main airway tube and which ends at the tip of the mask - assemble with introducer to facilitate insertion (where applicable). 	

	8. Assist in preoxygenation:
	i. place patient in sniffing position.
	ii. keep suction machine on, ready for use.
	iii. ask patient to inhale 4-8 vital capacity breaths with 100%
	O2.
	iv. O2 gas flow 8-10 l/min.
	v. ensure SpO2 above 98%.
	9. Assist in the administration of anaesthetic drugs:
	 depth of anaesthesia must be adequate to ensure successful insertion
	10. Assist Mo or anaesthetist in the SGA device insertion:
	 stand at the patient's head end and place the patient in the sniffing position.
	ii. ensure patient is unresponsive with relaxed jaw.
	iii. insert the supraglottic device into hypopharynx and
	advanced posteriorly along the hard palate until resistant.
Work Process	iv. procedure should not take more than 30 seconds.
	 v. inflate the cuff according to the size of the SGA device: - inflate cuff till no audible air leakage or at 45-60 cmH2O.
	 vi. Ventilate lungs manually: observe chest expansion on each ventilation. no abdominal distension.
	 confirm by capnograph and auscultation, listen for equal air entry in both lungs.
	11. Secure the SGA device and connect to GA machine.
	12. Documentation.

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Appendix B.9.

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN SUPRAGLOTTIC AIRWAY DEVICE INSERTION



B.10. REMOVAL OF SUPRAGLOTTIC AIRWAY DEVICE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in the removal of SGA device upon recover from anaesthesia.
Purpose	Allow patient with spontaneous breathing to protect his own airway after anaesthesia procedure.
Materials / Equip- ment	 PPE. Suction device. Face mask. O2 supply. GA form. SSSL form.
Work Pro- cess	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Reassess patient's condition: MAC – MACawake < 0.5. respiration – spontaneous breathing with good exhaled tidal volume. capnography reading. CNS – alert and conscious or deep. CVS – blood pressure and pulse rate within 20% from pre anaesthetic value. presence of gag and cough reflex. Perform gentle oral suction to clear the airway with suction yankauer to prevent aspirations. Allow patient to push out the SGA device: do not deflate cuff to avoid pulmonary aspiration. remove SGA device and perform suctioning simultaneously. administer 100% O2 via face mask. Transfer patient to post anaesthesia care unit or recovery once haemodynamic parameters are stable. Proceed with care of patient in post anaesthesia care unit or recovery.
	8. Documentation.

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Appendix B.10.

FLOW CHART OF REMOVAL OF SUPRAGLOTTIC AIRWAY DEVICE



B.11. ASSISTING IN TOTAL INTRAVENOUS ANAESTHESIA

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparing and assisting in TIVA.
Purpose	To provide anaesthesia administered exclusively via the intravenous route using TIVA pump, where it allows administration of intravenous agents based on real-time pharmacokinetic simulations.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. GA machine. Intubation trolley. Physiological monitoring system. SSSL form. GA form. Surgical consent. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent (where applicable). TIVA pump. TIVA pimp. TIVA infusion set (non-return valves, 2 three ways stopcock). Drugs: Propofol and Remifentanil. Depth of anaesthesia monitoring device.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation of equipment: ensure TIVA pump is connected to power supply. priming IV infusion set and TIVA infusion set with N/ Saline 0.9%.
	 4. Assist anaesthetist in the preparation of drug: propofol. remifentanil. other drugs: atropine, inotropic support, emergency drugs.
	 Preparation of patient: monitoring of patient's haemodynamic status. ensure IV line is patent and running well.

Work Process	 Assist MO or anaesthetist in the administration of TIVA: provide details on age, weight, height, and gender. load the luer-lock 50 ml syringe with medication to TIVA infusion set. use dedicated IV line and should always visible during surgery. ensure no leakage, tighten all connections. Assist anaesthetist in the application of depth of anaesthesiamonitoring device – optional. Continuous monitoring of: haemodynamic parameters. depth of anaesthesia. Documentation. 	
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Appendix B.11.

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN TOTAL INTRAVENOUS ANAESTHESIA (TIVA)



B.12. ASSISTING IN THE NEURAXIAL I BLOCKADE (SPINAL OR EPIDURAL OR COMBINED SPINAL EPIDURAL) ANAESTHESIA PROCEDURES

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparing and assisting in the Neuraxial I Blockade (Spinal or Epidural or Combined Spinal Epidural) anaesthesia procedure.
Purpose	To ensure safety of patient and surgery under Neuraxial I Blockade take place.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. SSSL form. GA form. Surgical consent. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent (where applicable). GA machine. Intubation trolley. Physiological monitoring system. IV cannulation set. Warming devices. Specific needles for different type of neuraxial blockade: SAB – pencil point or cutting needle (25G or 27G). epidural anaesthesia – epidural set. CSE – CSE set. Drug: local anaesthetic drugs: Bupivacaine in Dextrose, Bupivacaine, Ropivacaine, Levobupivacaine. opioids: Morphine, Fentanyl. intubation drugs: Hypnotic agent, NMBA. anticholinergic agent: Atropine. vasoconstrictor agent: Ephedrine, Phenylephrine. viasoconstrictor agent: Ephedrine, Phenylephrine. mergency drugs: Adrenaline. BPP. Spinal set.

	1. Hand hygiene.
	2. Wear an appropriate PPE.
	3. Final assessment - refer to relevant procedure.
	4. Management of OR before anaesthesia - refer to relevant
	procedure.
	5. Preparation of equipment and drug:
	i. according to procedure:
	- spinal set.
	- subarachnoid block – pencil point or cutting
	needle (25G or 27G).
	- epidural anaesthesia – epidural set.
	- CSE – CSE Set.
	ii druge:
	- local anaesthetic drug:
	SAB – Bupiyacaine in Dextrose.
	epidural anaesthesia: Bupivacaine.
	Levobupivacaine, Ropivacaine.
	- other drugs - as above.
WORK Process	
	6. Preparation of patient:
	i. introduction and explanation.
	ii. ensure IV line is functioning.
	iii. assist in preloading patient with crystalloid.
	iv. assemble physiological monitoring system and
	continuous monitoring.
	v. positioning patient: sitting or lateral decubitus.
	7. Assisting MO or anaesthetist in the procedure:
	i. position patient according to surgery once procedure
	completed.
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	i assist anaesthetist in performing the effectiveness of
	block with bromage score cold test and pin prick test

Work Process	 9. Monitoring: i. continuous monitoring patient until surgery end. ii. observe for side effects and complications. iii. transfer to recovery unit once surgery end. 10. Documentation.
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Appendix B.12.

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN THE NEURAXIAL I BLOCKADE (SPINAL OR EPIDURAL OR COMBINED SPINAL EPIDURAL) PROCEDURES



B.13. ASSISTING IN THE NEURAXIAL II BLOCKADE (PERIPHERAL NERVE BLOCK) ANAESTHESIA PROCEDURE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparing and assisting in Neuraxial II Blockade (Peripheral Nerve Block) anaesthesia procedure.		
Purpose	To ensure safety of patient and surgery under Neuraxial II Blockade (Peripheral Nerve Block).		
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. GA machine. SSSL form. Surgical consent. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent (where applicable). Intubation trolley. Physiological monitoring system. IV cannulation set. Warming devices. Specific needles for different type of neuraxial II blockade. Ultrasound machine. Sterile ultrasound gel. Train of Four (TOF) machine. Drug: local anaesthetic drugs: Bupivacaine, Ropivacaine, Levobupivacaine. opioids: Morphine, Fentanyl. intubation drugs: Hypnotic agent, NMBA. anticholinergic agent: Atropine. antisialagogue agent: Glycopyrrolate. vasoconstrictor agent: Ephedrine, Phenylephrine. wie emergency drugs: Adrenaline, Midazolam. Sterile ultrasound probe cover. BPP. 		

	1. Hand hygiene.
	2. Wear an appropriate PPE.
	3. Final assessment - refer to relevant procedure.
	4. Management of OR before anaesthesia - refer to relevant
	procedure.
	5. Preparation of equipment and drug:
	 according to site of peripheral nerve block:
	- upper limb.
	- lower limb.
	li. drugs:
	- local anaesthetic drug:
	Bupivacaine, Levobupivacaine, Ropivacaine.
	• Other drugs – as above.
	6 Prenaration of nationt:
	i introduction and explanation
	ii. ensure IV line is functioning.
	iii. assemble physiological monitoring system and
	continue monitoring.
	iv. positioning patient: according to site of insertion.
Work Process	v. O_2 therapy – where applicable.
	7. Assisting anaesthetist in the procedure:
	I. continue haemodynamic monitoring.
	II. position patient according to surgery once
	procedure completed.
	8. Allow surgery or procedure to proceed:
	i. assist anaesthetist in performing the procedure.
	ii. assist in performing test for block effectiveness.
	iii. observe for signs and symptoms of LAST.
	9. Monitoring:
	i. continue physiological monitoring system until
	surgery end.
	II. Observe for side effects and complications.
	in. transier to recovery unit once surgery end.
	10. Documentation

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Flow chart	Refer to Appendix B.13.	
Revision history	Not applicable	

Appendix B.13.

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN NEURAXIAL II BLOCKADE (PERIPHERAL NERVE BLOCK) PROCEDURE



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B.14(a). ASSISTING IN ONE LUNG VENTILATION (Double Lumen Endotracheal Tube)

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in the preparation and assisting in one lung ventilation.	
Purpose	To allow ventilation of only one lung, while the other lung is compressed by the surgeon or allowed to passively deflate.	
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. SSSL form. GA form. Surgical consent. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent (where applicable). GA machine. Physiological monitoring system. Intubation trolley with the following: double lumen ETT. syringe – according to the choice of ETT. syringe – according to the choice of ETT. spencer well artery forceps. Flexible bronchoscope – sterile preparation: upper shelf: flexible bronchoscope. suction: connector and catheter. gauze. lower shelf:	

	1.	Hand hygiene.
	2.	Wear an appropriate PPE.
	3.	Instruction receives from anaesthetist.
	4.	Preparation:
		i. standard intubation trolley with appropriate size of
		double lumen ETT.
		ii. GA machine - refer to relevant procedure.
		iii. patient:
		 place patient in sniffing position.
		 monitor haemodynamic patient closely.
		iv. preparation of flexible bronchoscope:
		 flexible bronchoscope sterilised.
		 check tip movement.
		- suction functioning.
		 light source attached and operational
		(where applicable).
		- ensure correct orientation of flexible
		bronchoscope.
		- defog tip of scope and white balance
Work Process		(where applicable).
WOIK FIDCess		- locus the eyepiece of monitor on some
		sot up all equipment of bronchescone and
		connect to system
	5	Assist MO or anaesthetist in:
	0.	i administering anaesthetic drugs prior to intubation
		ii intubation
		iii. connect to GA machine.
	6.	Assisting anaesthetist during bronchoscope procedure to
		confirm the placement of bronchial cuff:
		i. hand over flexible bronchoscope to anaesthetist.
		ii. assist anaesthetist in adjusting the position of
		bronchial cuff tube when needed.
		iii. monitor patient's haemodynamic parameter while
		anaesthetist doing the procedure.
	7	Dependencing of flavible brought and a start of the start
	1.	Decontamination of flexible pronchoscope - refer to relevant
	8	procedure.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix B.43(a).
Revision history	Not applicable

Table B.14(a): Selection of double lumen endotracheal tube

Height Gender	Size	DLT
	Male	Female
< 160 cm	37 Fr	35 Fr
160 - 170 cm	39 Fr	37 Fr
> 170 cm	41 Fr	39 Fr

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Appendix B.14(a).

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN ONE LUNG VENTILATION (DOUBLE LUMEN ENDOTRACHEAL TUBE)



B.14(b). ASSISTING IN ONE LUNG VENTILATION (Endobronchial Blocker)

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparing and assisting in one lung ventilation.	
Purpose	To allow ventilation of only one lung to facilitate surgery.	
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. SSSL form. GA form. Surgical consent. Anaesthesia consent. High risk consent (where applicable). GA machine. Physiological monitoring system. Intubation trolley with the following: ETT. EBB set: syringe: 3ml and 5ml. Flexible bronchoscope trolley – sterile preparation: upper shelf: flexible bronchoscope with monitor. suction: connector and catheter. gauze. lower shelf N/Saline 0.9%. IV Lignocaine 2%. alcohol 70% solution. lubricating gel. catheter mount. sterile glove – appropriate size. 	

Work process	1. 2. 3. 4.	 Receive instruction from anaesthetist. Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation: intubation trolley with EBB set GA machine. patient: place patient in sniffing position. monitor haemodynamic patient closely. iv. preparation of flexible bronchoscope: flexible bronchoscope. check tip movement. suction functioning. light source attached and operational (where applicable). defog tip of scope and white balance (where applicable). focus the eyepiece or monitor to confirm integrity of image. set up all equipment of bronchoscope and connect to system.
	5.	Assist anaesthetist in: i. administering anaesthetic drugs prior to intubation. ii. intubation.
	6.	 Assist anaesthetist in EBB placement: the bronchial blocker is passed through its port and placed at the entrance of the tracheal tube. the bronchoscope is passed through its port and then through the wire loop at the end of the bronchial blocker. the bronchoscope and bronchial blocker are then passed under direct vision as a single unit into the main bronchus of the operative side. the bronchoscope is withdrawn into the trachea, and the balloon is inflated under direct visualization. when correct placement has been confirmed, remove the wire loop. connect to GA machine once procedure is completed.

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Flow chart	Refer to Appendix B.14(b).
Revision history	Not applicable

Table B.14(b).: Selection of endobronchial blocker

ETT Size	Endobronchial Blocker Size
4.5 – 5.5 mm	5 F
6 – 7 mm	7 F
° 7.5 mm	9 F

Appendix B.14(b).

FLOW CHART ASSISTING IN ONE LUNG VENTILATION (ENDOBRONCHIAL BLOCKER)



Hand hygiene and wear an appropriate PPE

Preparation of equipment

- Standard Intubation Trolley with
 - Endotracheal Tube
 - EBB Set
- Flexible Bronchoscope Trolley

Preparation of patient:

- position sniffing position
- haemodynamic monitoring

Assist MO or anaesthetist in

- intubation
- endobronchial blocker placement
- bronchoscope procedure to confirm the placement of bronchial cuff

Connect to GA Machine once procedure is completed

Document the procedure

Decontamination of flexible bronchoscope - Refer to relevant procedure

B.15. CARE OF PATIENT IN RECOVERY ROOM

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in the care of patient in Recovery Room.		
Purpose	To ensure safety of patient during post anaesthesia period.		
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. SSSL form. GA form. O2 supply. Physiological monitoring system. Emergency trolley. Warming devices. 		
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Received patient from OR Anaesthetist & Anaesthetic Assistant. Document time of arrival at recovery room in GA form or any relevant document. Received patient with the handing over of the following: passing over every detail intraoperatively upon arrival in recovery room. completed anaesthetic record together with important details of surgery. specific verbal and written instructions for postoperative care. Comfort the patient with appropriate positioning for surgery. Administer O2 therapy whenever indicated. Ensure IV fluid regime followed as order by anaesthetist. Monitor the following closely: continuous vital sign monitoring. level of consciousness. surgical site assessment. y drains: functioning and output. y pain score assessment. w organise score (for patient receiving SAB). 		
	10. Discharge: i. by MO or anaesthetist.		

Work Process	 ii. ensure Post Anaesthesia Recovery Score are completed prior to discharge. iii. document all relevant information in GA form, SSSL form or any other relevant document before handing over the patient. 11. Handing over to staff receiving the patient with the following: adequate information to staff receiving the patient: post operative instruction as ordered by surgeon. pass over every relevant information or event. ii. post operative pain management if any (PCA or Epidural). iii. blood product or specimen or tissue (placenta) – where applicable. iv. x-rays and results – where applicable.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix B.15.
Revision history	Not applicable

Appendix B.15.

FLOW CHART CARE OF PATIENT IN RECOVERY ROOM



Received patient

- OR Anaesthetist & Anaesthetic Assistant
- handing over details from OR Anaesthetist & Anaesthetic Assistant

Hand hygiene and wear an appropriate PPE

Document time of arrival at Recovery Room in GA form / any relevant document

Keep patient warm, ensure appropriate positioning and adequate analgesia

Administer oxygen therapy whenever indicated

IV fluid regime according to plan

Monitor:

- Vital sign
- level of consciousness
- Surgical site assessment
- Drains: functioning and output
- Pain score assessment
- Bromage score where applicable

Discharge by MO or anaesthetist with appropriate handing over to staff receiving patient

Documentation

B.16. PATIENT CONTROLLED ANALGESIA IN RECOVERY ROOMM

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in managing PCA in Recovery Room.
Purpose	To ensure patient receives adequate analgesia.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. PCA pump. PCA Anti-reflux tubing. IV infusion set. Drugs - as per ordered. SSSL form. GA form. APS form.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation: check the performance of PCA pump. setting of PCA pump - as per ordered:

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Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix B.16.

FLOW CHART PATIENT CONTROLLED ANALGESIA (PCA) RECOVERY ROOM



B.17. MANAGEMENT OF PATIENT IN NON-OPERATING ROOM ANAESTHESIA

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in assessing, preparing and assisting anaesthetist in NORA.
Purpose	To administration of sedation or anaesthesia outside the operating room to patient undergoing painful or uncomfortable procedure.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Anaesthesia consent. Surgical consent (for procedure in NORA). Intubation trolley. Suction devices. IV cannulation set. Physiological monitoring device. GA machine. Emergency trolley. Fluid management system (syringe, volumetric pump). * For MBL suite: equipment must be MBL safe and compatible
Work Process	 Preparation personnel: hand hygiene wear an appropriate PPE ensure personnel is free from metal preparation equipment for MRI procedure anaesthetic assistant to check anaesthetic equipment before conduct of anaesthesia for MRI Preparation patient: refer to relevant checklist according to primary team
	 3. Intubation – for intubated patient - pilot balloon is covered with micropore: Holding bay of MR Complex: non-intubated. ICU or OT – (intubated). CT Scan - sedation or intubation. ERCP – sedation or intubation. ECT – non-intubated (hold mask). ICL – sedation or intubation.

Work Process	 Continue monitoring patient haemodynamic status. Ensure IV access is functioning. Assisting in extubation process (in MRI cases – extubation in recovery unit). Post recovery care (refer to post recovery care guideline). Documentation all relevant information. Discharge to primary unit.
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Appendix B.17.

FLOW CHART OF MANAGEMENT OF PATIENT IN NON-OPERATING ROOM ANAESTHESIA



STANDARD PRACTICE GUIDELINES FOR AMO IN INTENSIVE CARE SERVICES

INTENSIVE CARE TECHNOLOGISTS (ICT)

C.1. IDENTIFYING ERRORS AND TROUBLESHOOTING CRITICAL CARE DEVICES

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to inspect, identify and troubleshoot critical care devices and inform HSS when equipment is malfunction.
Purpose	To ensure all the critical care devices are functioning well and safe to be used on patients.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Critical care devices. Consumables or accessories. User manual (according to manufacturer).
Work Process	 Receive request from end user. Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Identify the status of patient: vital signs. hemodynamic stability. biohazard or normal. Identify the status of equipment failure: consumables or accessories faulty. connection faulty (leak, loose, crack, sedimentation). display faulty (jammed, reboot faulty, no power supply). Identifying and rectifying the error by troubleshooting according to manufacturer user manual. Replace the faulty accessory, if available. If accessories are not available and problem persist, refer to Appendix A.8. Documentation.

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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.1.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.1.

FLOW CHART IDENTIFYING ERRORS AND TROUBLESHOOT CRITICAL CARE DEVICES



C.2. IDENTIFYING ERRORS AND TROUBLESHOOTING VENTILATORS

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to inspect, identify and troubleshoot ventilators and inform HSS when it's malfunction.
Purpose	To ensure ventilators are functioning well and safe to be used on patients.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Test lung. Consumables or accessories. User manual (according to manufacturer).
Work Process	 Receive complaint from end user. Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Identify the status of patient: vital signs. hemodynamic stability. biohazard / normal. Identify the status of equipment failure: if the cause of an alarm cannot be identified and fixed quickly, remove the ventilator breathing circuits from the patient and begin manual ventilation with a BVM. some essential alarms on the ventilator include ventilator inoperative, power failure, no gas delivery to the patient, low peak inspiratory pressure, low tidal volume, low or high minute volume, low positive end-expiratory pressure and continuous positive airway pressure, apnoea, inspiratory: expiratory ratio, high pressure limit, high respiratory rate, and low or high FiO2. consumables faulty. connection faulty (leak, loose, crack, sedimentation) v. display faulty (jammed, reboot faulty, no power supply).

Work Process	 6. Turn the ventilator off and restart it. 7. Follow the troubleshooting instructions on the ventilator, if available. 8. If the ventilator fails to operate properly, temporarily label it "OUT OF SERVICE" for a maintenance check and replace it with another ventilator. 9. Ensure that the alarms are set appropriately. 10. Verify the alarm has been corrected and the patient is in stable condition. 11. Rectify the fault by troubleshooting according to the manufacturer user manual. 12. Replace the faulty accessory, if available. 13. If problem persist, refer to Appendix A.8. 14. Documentation.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.2.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.2.

FLOW CHART IDENTIFYING ERRORS AND TROUBLESHOOTING VENTILATORS



C.3. CHANGING OF DIRTY OR SOILED VENTILATOR CIRCUITS

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to ensure ventilator circuits are discarded or changed when soiled OR upon request by MO or specialist to change type of humidification from passive humidification to active humidification or vice versa.
Purpose	To prevent any microorganism growth and to facilitate change process on patient's humidification.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Breathing circuit. Test lung. HME. BVM.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Receive instruction from MO or specialist on changing patient humidification from passive to active or via versa OR change circuits if soiled. Monitor patient haemodynamic status. Prepare accessories. (heated water bath, HME & circuits). Pre-oxygenate patient 100%. Manual hand bagging with BVM . Disconnect inspiratory and expiratory circuit limbs. Change circuit : discard soil circuit and change to clean circuits OR ii. discard HME and apply active humidification system OR iii. disconnect active humidification system and connect with HME. Perform self-test or calibrate for circuit compliance and test for any leaks. Recheck patient haemodynamic status. Documentation.

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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.3.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.3.

FLOW CHART CHANGING OF DIRTY OR SOILED VENTILATOR CIRCUITS



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C.4. REPROCESSING OF VENTILATORY EQUIPMENT

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in reprocessing of ventilatory equipment according to the manufacturer protocols and hospital infection control guidelines.
Purpose	To allow safe use of ventilators which includes cleaning, disinfection, sterilization as well as testing and calibration.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Ventilators – invasive and non-invasive. Test lung. Disinfectant wipes or spray. Dressing trolley. Sterile sheet (for reusable circuit). Ventilator circuits (reusable). Reusable inspiratory and expiratory filter.
Work Process	 Reprocessing: hand hygiene. wear an appropriate PPE. remove all accessories from ventilator. keep aside all reusable patient circuits, inspiratory filter, expiratory filter, flow sensor, transducer cassette etc for thermal disinfection or cold sterilisation. remove and discard all disposable items. wash and rinse all soiled items with distilled sterile water. thermal disinfection for heat-resistant equipment that can withstand high temperature (e.g., 80°C); using a washer disinfector machine. cold sterilization is performed if a washer disinfector is not available and for equipment that may not tolerate 80 °C or may be damage in physical appearance by high temperature. once thermal or cold sterilization complete, rinse and dry it in drying cabinet. wipe ventilator surface with non-alcohol base disinfectant wipes. allow ventilator surface to dry.

	2. Performance test:
	i. fix the ventilator circuits and humidifier (if needed) to
	the ventilator.
	II. connect flow sensor and do calibration for flow and
	iii. run test and calibration on ventilator (as recommended
	by manufacturer guideline).
	iv. set the ventilator in normal range value. (normal range
Work Process	value refers to manufacturer operator manual).
	 v. test run the ventilator with test lung within 15 - 30 minutes.
	vi. troubleshoot if any alarms and refer to Appendix A.8. if
	problem persist.
	vii. switch off ventilator once test ended.
	viii. storage.
	3. Documentation.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.4.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.4.

FLOW CHART REPROCESSING OF VENTILATORY EQUIPMENT



C.5. PREPARATION AND SETTING UP VENTILATOR BEFORE USE ON PATIENT

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in preparation of disposable or reusable circuits, testing, calibration and performance test on ventilator before use on patient.		
Purpose	To help increase the shelf life, performance, accuracy and efficiency of ventilator to prevent any errors and adverse effects and patient safety which are associated with ventilator.		
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Ventilator. Test lung. Dressing trolley. Sterile sheet (for reusable circuit). Ventilator circuits (Disposable / Reusable). BVF (inspiratory and expiratory limbs) – if applicable. Catheter mount. 		
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Connect the breathing circuit to ventilator (reusable/ disposable), BVF & swivel catheter mount. Connect the ventilator to: oxygen outlet. medical compressed air outlet. Switch ON ventilator. Perform ventilator system self-test or patient circuit test (if required). Follow manufacturer instructions for self-test as prompted. If self-test passed, cover or wrap the catheter mount and keep for a new patient or standby at bedside. If self-test fail, perform troubleshoot and if equipment still malfunction, refer to Appendix A.8. Documentation. 		

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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.5.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.5.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND SETTING UP VENTILATOR FOR A NEW PATIENT



C.6. PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN PULSE INDEX CONTOUR CARDIAC OUTPUT MONITORING (PiCCO)

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to facilitate and assist intensivist or specialist for accurate quantification of CO or at least precise detection of the change in the CO in critically ill patient.		
Purpose	To assess and monitor cardiovascular status and to evaluate patient response to various therapies, including fluid management interventions, vasoactive and inotropic medication administration, and mechanical assist devices.		
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. PiCCO monitor with module. PiCCO monitor interface cable . Injectable temperature sensor cable. PiCCO catheter- 5Fr x 20 / 25cm. PiCCO monitoring kit. 3-way stopcock. Non-compliance tubing 200cm-red. Non-compliance tubing 200cm-blue (if applicable). IV pole and transducer holder. Pressure bag. CO module and cable for interface with the monitor. Pressure module and cable for interface with the monitor. N/Saline 0.9%. Levelling device (low-intensity laser or carpenter level). Sterile and non-sterile gloves. Syringes – 10ml and 20ml. Dressing sets. 		
Work Process	 Received order from the intensivist or specialist. Hand hygiene and wear an appropriate PPE. Patient preparation: patient verification. assist the patient to the supine position. 		

	4.	Assem	ble:
		i.	attach module, cable to monitor, drip set and cold saline.
	5.	During i. ii. iii. iv. v.	procedure : once PiCCO catheter inserted: attach pressure transducer (ABP). once reading is acceptable, attach the temperature cable. attach CVP monitoring. attach injectate temperature sensor with housing cable. check patient temperature reading: - enter patient data-name, gender, height or weight for body surface area. - levelling and zeroing ABP. - levelling and zeroing CVP.
	6	DICCO	a a libration:
Work Process	0.	i	kev in CO mode
WORK Process		ii.	press start on "CCO or CO" module.
		iii.	once "message ready for measurement" appear - iniect.
		iv.	20cc cold saline (<8°C) when reading show "stable baseline, inject now".
		V.	perform rapid and smooth injection.
		vi.	perform minimal 3 reading of measurement to get the average.
		vii.	press save and calibrate CCO to store average values.
		viii.	press calculates haemodynamic.
		ix.	press vital sample and perform calculation.
		Х.	calibration done and print result.
		xi.	make sure all parameters for CCO are functioning
			(LU, CI, SV, SVI, GEDV, GEDI, HVB, HVI, SVV,
			SVKI, SVK, GFI, EVLW, ELWI).
	7.	Docum	entation.

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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.6.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.6.

FLOW CHART OF PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN PULSE INDEX CONTOUR CARDIAC OUTPUT MONITORING (PICCO)



C.7. PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN ENDOTRACHEAL INTUBATION

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to prepare, assist and ensure equipment are available and functionable for endotracheal intubation.		
Purpose	To facilitate and assist MO or anaesthetist or intensivist in maintain a patent airway, overcome respiratory failure and reduce work of breathing of patients.		
Materials / Equipment	 1. PPE. 2. Intubation – MALES;- i. M: mask (BVM, masks etc). magill forcep. mouth gag. ii. A: airway adjuncts oropharyngeal, nasopharyngeal). iii. L: laryngoscope (assorted size of blade & type, assorted handle) – functioning. lubricant gel. iv. E: ETT – size according to patient. etCO2 – confirmation of ETT placement. emergency trolley. v. S: SGA. stylet. stethoscope. suction catheter: ½ size of ETT X 3. yankuer – appropriate size. syringe: 10 ml or 20 ml. scissor. spatula. 		

	3.	Medication:
		i. analgesic.
		ii. induction or sedative agent.
Materials /		iii. neuromuscular blocking agent.
Equipment		
	4.	Ventilator.
	5.	Physiological monitoring system.
Work Process	1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	 Physiological monitoring system. Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Ensure all apparatus functioning well. Preparation of patient; patient identification. procedure verification - consent. ensure IV line is patent and functioning. monitor haemodynamic parameters continuously. assist in intubation process. apply BURP (backward, upward, rightward pressure) manoeuvre to facilitate intubation – when needed. inflate ETT cuff (until hissing sound is disappeared during auscultation) or 5ml to 10ml (where applicable). remove stylet. level of ETT – measures at incisor teeth; female: 18 – 20 cm. male: 20 – 22 cm. Connect the ETT to breathing circuit and attach with ventilator or BVM. Confirmation of ETT placement: visible chest rises. vater vapor in ETT. capnograph – normal EtCO2. 5 points auscultations. X-ray – where applicable. evaluation of oxygenation via skin signs.
	7. 8. 9.	Secure ETT with securing tape. Continue haemodynamic monitoring. Documentation

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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.7.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.7.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN ENDOTRACHEAL INTUBATION



C.8. PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN ANTICIPATED DIFFICULT INTUBATION

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to ensure all essential equipment to use in anticipated difficult endotracheal intubation are available and functioning well.		
Purpose	To facilitate and assist anaesthetist or intensivist in providing a comprehensive strategy to optimize oxygenation, airway management and tracheal intubation in anticipated difficult intubation of critically ill patients.		
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. BVM. Guedel airways (various sizes). Stylet or bougie. ETT (various sizes). Laryngoscope set with McCoy blade. Magill forceps. SGA. Stethoscope. Securing tape. Scissors. Lubricating gel. Syringe 20ml. Video assisted laryngoscope. Flexible bronchoscope. End tidal CO2 monitor. Ventilator. Suction device with apparatus. 		
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation of equipment. Assist in pre-oxygenate: position: head up if possible. oxygenation by face mask or CPAP or NIV or nasal O2. share plan for failure (DASS guideline). 		

Work Process	 Assist in tracheal intubation: maintain oxygenation. continuous nasal oxygenation. face mask ventilation between attempts. prepare and assist with video or direct laryngoscopy with bougie or stylet. If failed tracheal intubation, prepare and assist in: rescue oxygenation; SGA. face mask and airway adjunct. once declared by MO or specialist "can't intubate, can't oxygenate, assist in preparation and procedure; front of Neck Airway: FONA (Scalpel cricothyroidotomy). Documentation. 		
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.8a. & C.8b.		
Revision History	Not applicable		

Appendix C.8a.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN ANTICIPATED DIFFICULT ENDOTRACHEAL INTUBATION



Appendix C.8b.



This flowchart forms part of the DAS, ICS, FICM, RCoA Guideline for tracheal intubation in critically ill adults and should be used in conjunction with the text.

C.9. PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN FLEXIBLE BRONCHOSCOPY PROCEDURE

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to prepare, assist and reprocessing of flexible bronchoscope according to hospital infection control guidelines.		
Purpose	To obtain tissue specimen, assessment, diagnostic and therapeutic purpose, BAL, remove secretion and blood from patient with respiratory disease.		
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Flexible bronchoscope. Light source. Sterile dressing towel. Disposable suction set. Suction connector tubing. Syringe: 10ml. Sterile distilled water in 10ml. Sterile mucous extractor 10ml bottle. Lubricant jelly. Swivel connector with bronchoscopic port or endoscopic mask (optional). 		
Work Process	 Pre-procedure: hand hygiene. wear an appropriate PPE. check equipment and apparatus. prepare trolley for procedure. drape the trolley with sterile dressing towel. do pre-sampling specimen by flushing the bronchoscope with sterile distilled water into the sampling container. upper shelf; flexible bronchoscope flushed with st e r i l e distilled water. cover the procedure area with sterile dressing towel. fill sterile distilled water in a gallipot of disposable suction set. 		

	3. Post procedure:
Work Process	 i. ventilator: set ventilator back to patient previous ventilator setting. disconnect the swivel connector and connect back to ventilator circuit.
	ii. patient: - closely monitor vital signs. - position patient with head up 30 degrees.
	 iii. flexible bronchoscope: flush through the bronchoscope suction port with sterile water and wipe bronchoscope body with disinfectant wipes to remove patient secretion. please handle the system with care and do not bend it. soak in HLD solution (according to manufacturer recommendations). rinse with clean water about 15 – 30 minutes. hang in the drying cabinet about 30 – 45 minutes. once dried, store in brief case or dedicated cabinet.
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.9.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.9.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN FLEXIBLE BRONCHOSCOPY PROCEDURE



C.10. PREPARATION & ASSISTING IN PERCUTANEOUS TRACHEOSTOMY

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to assist specialist in performing percutaneous tracheostomy as in bedside procedure.
Purpose	To provide a long-term secure in airway to facilitate rehabilitation and discharge of critically ill patients.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. N/Saline 0.9% in 10ml. Chlorhexidine 2% in 70% alcohol. Tracheostomy set. Sterile lubricant gel. Syringe; 5ml & 10ml. Needle; 21G & 23G Bupivacaine with adrenaline 0.5% in 10ml. Branula; 14G Flexible bronchoscope (optional). Medications for sedation and paralysis. EtCO2 monitor. Intubation kit. Percutaneous tracheostomy kit: a uigical scalpel blade. an introducer needle. a guide wire. a tracheal dilator. a protective sheath. vi a tracheal loading trocar. wiii. small slip-tip syringe.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Check upper shelf equipment and equip with: tracheostomy set. sterile gown. sterile glove. dressing towel

	 4. Check lower shelf equipment and equip with: N/Saline 0.9% in 10ml. alcohol 70% solution or Chlorhexidine 2% solution. tracheostomy kit. lubricant gel. syringe 5ml and 10ml. needle 21G and 23G. branula14G. bupivacaine with adrenaline 0.5% in 10ml.
	 Ventilator set up: set up ventilator with proper setting as per order by specialist. connect swivel connector to 'Y; connector from ventilator (optional if using bronchoscope). connect to EtCO2 monitoring.
Work Process	 6. Preparation of patient: aseptic technique. ensure the right patient. flat the bed and put patient in supine position. Put a shoulder roll beneath the patient scapulae to extend the neck and improve exposure of the anterior neck. iv. monitoring patient vital sign closely.
	 7. Flexible bronchoscope guidance (optional): disconnect the ETT from the ventilator circuit. connect swivel connector to 'Y; connector from ventilator. reconnect the circuit and resume ventilation. attach a bronchoscope adaptor to the tube.
	 Assist specialist during procedure. Confirm the tracheostomy tube placement with EtCO2. Perform suction to remove the secretion. Connect the circuit to the tracheostomy tube and resume ventilation. Secure the tracheostomy tube with a tracheostomy collar. Remove ETT, once tracheostomy tube is secured. Remove shoulder roll and positioning the patient. Documentation.

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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.10.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.10.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION & ASSISTING PERCUTANEOUS TRACHEOSTOMY



C.11. PREPARATION AND MANAGEMENT IN ACTIVE HUMIDIFICATION OF VENTILATOR CIRCUITS

ocope	management of active humidification of inhaled gases as a standard of care of mechanical ventilation patients in intensive care.
Purpose	To ensure the active humidification are functioning well and placed in the inspiratory limb of the ventilator circuit.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. Respiratory humidifier. Humidifier chamber. Water trap bottle. Temperature probe. Heated wire. Absorbent paper. Distilled sterile water. Ventilator circuit.
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation: ensure all equipment are functioning well. check and prepare for the complete set of active humidification. check there are no cracks on the water trap and humidifier chamber. check the cables are intact and functioning well. check for the chamber and humidifier temperature. Performance: assemble the humidifier with a clean technique. perform an appropriate test required by the ventilator in order to compensate and identify any leakage. if problem occurs, immediately change to another unit of humidifier device. Cleaning: remove all the accessories and parts after use. divident tell accessories and parts after use.

Work Process	iii. perform cold sterilization or thermal disinfection.iv. pack the accessories (for reusable accessories).
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Flow Chart	Refer to Appendix C.11.
Revision History	Not applicable

Appendix C.11.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND MANAGEMENT IN ACTIVE HUMIDIFICATION OF VENTILATOR CIRCUITS



C.12. PREPARATION AND MANAGEMENT IN PASSIVE HUMIDIFICATION OF VENTILATOR CIRCUITS

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to ensure passive humidification are applied correctly and replaced accordingly to mechanically ventilated patient.
Purpose	To ensure HMEs are changed every 24 hours, if soiled or blocked with secretions in order to prevent any complications.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. HME. Ventilator circuit.
Work Process	 Preparation: hand hygiene. wear an appropriate PPE. ensure the passive humidification packing is intact before usage. connect HME at 'Y' connector. continuous monitoring on passive humidification device for any blockage or resistance and change, when needed. Perform: passive humidification is single use. change HME as recommended by manufacturer every
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Appendix C.12.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND MANAGEMENT IN PASSIVE HUMIDIFICATION OF VENTILATOR CIRCUITS



C.13. PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN METERED DOSE INHALER (MDI)

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible to provide therapy for the aerosolization of pharmacological agent via MDI to maintain airway patency and provide clearance of retained secretions.
Purpose	To standardize the delivery of aerosolized medication to the lungs using a MDI with the appropriate spacing device.
Materials / Equipment	 PPE. MDI. Bronchodilators. MDI adapter. Gloves (Non-Sterile). Physiological monitoring system.
Work Process	 Received order from the MO or specialist. Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Preparation of patient: assist the patient to the semi-fowler sitting position. receive order from the MO or specialist:
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Appendix C.13.

FLOW CHART PREPARATION AND ASSISTING IN METERED DOSE INHALER


C.14. PREPARATION AND MANAGEMENT OF PORTABLE MEDICAL OXYGEN GAS CYLINDER

Scope	Assistant Medical Officers are responsible in managing, checking and storage of portable medical oxygen gas cylinders.	
Purpose	To ensure portable medical oxygen gas cylinders are always sufficient and safe to be used for both patient or HCW during intra or inter facilities transportation and disaster.	
Materials / Equipment	 PPE – leather glove & safety boots. Oxygen cylinder. Cylinder wrench. Pin index or bull nose oxygen regulator. Oxygen trolley. 	
Work Process	 Hand hygiene. Wear an appropriate PPE. Position the cylinder upright in a cylinder trolley. Remove the protective cap or shrink wrap plastic tape protecting the cylinder valve. Identify the proper regulator according to pin index safety system. Pin index regulator to pin index valve cylinder or bull nose regulator to bull nose valve cylinder. Inform to personnel or patients in the area that a loud hissing noise will occur (if applicable). Position the cylinder such that the cylinder valve opening is pointing away from any people in the room. Check the cylinder by quickly opening and closing the cylinder valve by using a cylinder wrench. Check for leakage at the connection between the cylinder and regulator. Listen for a hissing sound to detect any leakage. 	

Work Process	 Feel for gas flow with your hands around the connection to detect any leakage. Turn on the flow meter and feel for the flow of gas. Turn off the flow meter after all system functioning well. Turn off the cylinder valve if cylinder is not in use. Place cylinder in a safe designated area. Documentation.
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ITEM	EXPLANATION/ DEFINITION
Anaesthetic machine	A medical device used to generate and mix a fresh gas flow of medical gases and inhalational anaesthetic agents for the purpose of inducing and maintaining anaesthesia.
Anaesthesia	General anaesthesia: controlled unconsciousness during which you feel nothing. In local anaesthesia, only an area of your body is numbed and you can remain awake.
Anaesthetist	A doctor trained to give anaesthetic.
Arterial Blood Gas	Measures the amounts of arterial gases, such as oxygen and carbon dioxide. An ABG test requires that a small volume of blood be drawn from the radial artery with a syringe and a thin needle, but sometimes the femoral artery in the groin or another site is used.
Arterial line	A cannula put into an artery (often at your wrist). This measures your blood pressure continuously. Your anaesthetist can also take blood samples from it to measure your oxygen levels.
Aseptic Technique	Is a standard healthcare practice that helps prevent the transfer of germs to or from an open wound and other susceptible are on patient's body.
Awake Flexible Bronchoscope Intubation	Awake tracheal intubation involves placing a tracheal tube in an awake, spontaneously breathing patient, most commonly with flexible bronchoscope.
Berman Airway	Side channels enable use of suction catheters without obstructing the airway, allowing for additional air flow.
Bispectral Index	Used to monitor depth of anaesthesia.
Breathing circuit	To deliver oxygen and anaesthetic gases and eliminate carbon dioxide.

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Bromage Score	An accepted tool for the measurement of motor block. This scale assesses the intensity of motor block by the patient's ability to move their lower extremities.
BURP Manoeuvre	Applying backward, upward, rightward, and posterior pressure on the larynx (i.e., displacement of the larynx in the backward and upward directions with rightward pressure on the thyroid cartilage) for visualization of the vocal cord.
Capnography	The monitoring of the concentration or partial pressure of carbon dioxide in the respiratory gases. Its main development has been as a monitoring tool for use during anaesthesia and intensive care.
Catheter	A hollow flexible tube for insertion into a body cavity, duct, or vessel to allow the passage of fluids or distend a pas- sageway. One use includes the drainage of urine from the bladder through the urethra.
Cricoid Pressure	Also known as the Sellick manoeuvre, is a technique used in endotracheal intubation to minimise risk of regurgitation.
Critical care	Critical care is the multidisciplinary healthcare specialty that cares for patients with acute, life-threatening illness or injury.
Central Venous Pressure Line	A soft tube that your anaesthetist puts into a vein (oftenin your neck) that ends up in the large vein taking blood to your heart. It is used to measure pressure in these veins and to give you medicines, fluids or food.
Deep Vein thrombosis	A blood clot that forms in a deep vein in your leg or abdomen.

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Defibrillator	A machine that uses an electric current to stop any irregular and dangerous activity of your heart.
Diameter Index Safety System	A set of engineering standards preventing users of compressed gases from linking pressurised gas holding tanks to the wrong hoses or tubing. The standards designate specific-sized connectors for each different medical gas.
Guedal airway	A curved plastic device put into your mouth when you are unconscious. This keeps the tongue from blocking your airway so allows you to breathe more easily.
Heat and Moisture Exchanger	A device that intended to replace the normal warming and humidifying functions of upper airways when these structures are bypassed during endotracheal intubation.
High Flow Nasal Cannula	Is a device that delivered 100% warmed and humid air on at a flow rate of up to 80 litres per minute through nose.
Hypothermia	Defined as a body core temperature below 35.0 °C (95.0 °F) in humans.
Intensive Care Unit	A specialized section of a hospital containing the equipment, medical and nursing staff, and monitoring devices necessary to provide intensive care.
Intensivist	A critical care physician whose medical practice is focused entirely on the care of critically ill and injured patients.
Laryngeal Mask Airway	A piece of anaesthetic equipment. This lets oxygen and anaesthetic gas pass easily to your lungs without needing to put an endotracheal tube into your trachea.
Laryngoscope	Equipment with a light for examining your larynx (voice box) so your anaesthetist can see where to put an endotracheal tube.

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Luer lock	Luer-lock connectors (female) are joined by means of a tabbed hub on the female fitting those screws into threads in a sleeve on the male fitting and attaches securely. Male luer lock connectors are available with integral lock rings or with rotatable features to allow you to position the tubing before assembly. This locking mechanism is used for applications that require a secure connection and also making leak-free connection.
Magill Forceps	Magill forceps are angled forceps used to guide a tracheal tube into the larynx or a nasogastric tube into the oesophagus under direct vision.
Malignant Hyperthermia	It is a genetic hypermetabolic muscle disease, the characteristic phenotypical signs and symptoms of which most commonly appear with exposure to inhaled general anaesthetics or succinylcholine (triggering agents).
Minimum Alveolar Concentration	The concentration of a vapour in the alveoli of the lungs that is needed to prevent movement (motor response) in 50% of subjects in response to surgical (pain) stimulus. MAC is used to compare the strengths, or potency, of anaesthetic vapours.
Mucosal Atomizer Device	Intranasal or intraoral mucosal atomization device delivers a mist of atomized medication that offers rapid absorption across mucosal membranes to the blood stream.
Nasopharyngeal Airway	A type of airway adjunct, a tube that is designed to be inserted into the nasal passageway to secure an open airway.
Neuromuscular blocking agent	A chemical agent that paralyses skeletal muscles by blocking the movement of neurotransmitter at the neuromuscular junction.
Pathogens	A bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that can cause disease.

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Pharmacokinetic	The study of time course of drug absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion.
Pin Index	Safety system designed to ensure the correct gas is filled into the correct cylinder and that the cylinder will only connect to correct equipment.
Scavenging system	A system that actively removes anaesthetic gases mixture from operating theatre.
Target Controlled Infusion	Automates the dosing of intravenous drugs during surgery.
Total Intravenous Anaesthesia	Intravenous administration of anaesthetic agents to induce a temporary loss of sensation or awareness.
Tracheostomy	A tracheostomy is a stoma/ opening created on the anterior tracheal wall.
Ventilator	The ventilator can do all the breathing for the patient or it can assist the patient's own breathing. A machine that delivers oxygen to a patient's lungs to assist with the breathing process.

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