

Paediatric Intubation in Australian and New Zealand Emergency Departments How, Whom, When and Why and are there improvement opportunities?

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"Emergency Intubation is a high-risk, low frequency procedure for paediatric patients. Providers must perform emergency intubation for children competently and safely, yet exposure is rare for individual providers" Benjamin Kerrey 2017



Worldwide



Study	Setting	Study Design (n)	Indication for Intubation	Intubator	Proportion RSI	First Pass Success	Adverse Events
Pallin 2016	USA, Canada, Australia (NEAR 2)	Prospective Observational Multicentre Registry (n= 1053)	Trauma 50% Medical 43% Other 6.8%	ED 87% Paed 6% Anaes 3%	81%	83%	Oesophageal Intubation 4% Other* 3% Mainstem 2.5% Cardiac Arrest 2%
Sagarin 2012	USA (NEAR 1)	Prospective Observational Multicentre Registry (n= 156)	Trauma 49% Medical 49% Other 2%	ED 79 % Paed 10%	81%	72%	Mainstem 41% Oesophageal 19% Desaturation 1%
Goto 2016	Japan (JEAN 1 &2)	Prospective Observational Multicentre Registry (n=293)	Medical 47% Trauma 24% Cardiac Arrest 29%	ED 43% Paed 15% JMO 218% Other 23%	26%	60%	NR
Choi 201 2	Korea	Prospective Observational Multicentre Registry (n=281)	Medical 71 % Trauma 29%	ED 57% Other 22% Paed 19%	12%	68%	Mainstem Bronchus 2% Vomiting 2%
Kerrey 2012	USA (Cincinnati)	Single site Retrospective Video and Chart Review	Medical 78% Trauma 22%	ED 81% ICU 9% Anaes 10%	100%	52%	Physiologic Deterioration 39% Tube Misplacement

Australia



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Long 2014	ED, Melbourne	Prospective Observational Single Centre (n= 71)	Medical 79% Trauma 21%	ED 63% ICU31%		78%	Hypotension 21% Desaturation 14%
Ngyuen & Craig 2016	3 ED Network, Victoria	Retrospective Chart Review of Resus Area patients (n=35)	NR	ED Cons 46% ED JMO 13% Anaes 38% NICU 3%		89%	NR
Burns et al 2017	HEMS, Sydney	Prospective Observational Single Service (n=82)	Trauma 83% Medical 17%	Paramedic 48% Medical 52%	Cold 16% RSI 84%	91%	Desaturation 6% Mainstem Intubation 3% Oesophageal Intubation 2%

Australia & New Zealand Airway Registry



NSW

Royal North Shore Hospital Mona Vale Hospital Royal Prince Alfred Hospital St George Hospital St Vincent's Hospital Westmead Hospital Wollongong Hospital Hornsby Ku-Ring-gai Hospital Manly Hospital Prince Of Wales Hospital Liverpool Hospital Blacktown Hospital Mount Druitt Hospital Lismore Base Hospital Wagga Wagga Base Hospital Dubbo Hospital Tweed Hospital The Tweed Hospital John Hunter Hospital Albury Wodonga Hospital Care Flight NSW Calvary Mater Hospital Children's Hospital at Westmead Orange Hospital Nepean Hospital Port Macquarie Hospital Queanbeyan Hospital Tamworth Hospital Bowral & District Hospital Sutherland Hospital



Tasmania Royal Hobart Hospital

Queensland The Townsville Hospital Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Hospital Princess Alexandra Hospital Cairns Base Hospital Caloundra Hospital Northern Territory Gove District Hospital Royal Darwin Hospital

Victoria

Western Health Hospital Sunshine Hospital The Northern Hospital Victoria

Western Australia

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital Peel Health Hospital Rockingham Hospital

New Zealand

Middlemore Hospital Wanganui Hospital Auckland City Hospital Waikato Hospital

Data Collection Tool



Surgical airway



AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND ED AIRWAY REGISTRY

To be completed for ALL intubations in the Emergency Department

Name	Medical Record Number	Date:	
Place Patient Sticker Here		Estimated Patient Weight:	
Age	Gender	Team Leader:	Specialty + Seniority (eg ED Reg)

Indication For Intubation – Tick C	Indication For Intubation – Tick ONE only										
Trauma:		Medical:									
Head injury – reduced LOC		Respiratory failure		Altered mental status – not overdose							
Head injury – airway not patent		Airway obstruction		Overdose / ingestion							
Neck / facial trauma		Anaphylaxis		Cardiac arrest							
Burn / inhalation		Cardiac failure		Other (please state):							
Drowning		Sepsis									
Chest trauma		GI bleed									
Shock		Seizure									
Traumatic cardiac arrest		ICH/stroke									

Was laryngoscopy	predicted to be difficult?	Y/N	Was a formal assessment made?	Y / N
Why difficult? eg "LEON" criteria (See over)				

Observations	At time of Decision to Intubate	GCS	RR	SBP	HR	Sa0 ₂		
I	Observations	First set AFTER INTUBATION			SBP	HR	Sa02	
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Preox* Final device used	NRBM	в∨м	BVM+ PEEP	CPAP/ BiPAP	LMA	Patient	Flat	Bed tilted head up	
Apnoeic O ₂ [†] Tick all that apply	NIL	NP	в∨м	CPAP/ BiPAP	LMA	Tick One	Pillow or occipital pad	Ramped or head up	

				Medicatio	on For Indu	ction
Was a Pre-RSI	N/ (NI	1	NIL	0		Other (state)
Checklist Used? Y / N			Ketamine		dose (mg)	
Time Of	-	1	Thiopentone		dose (mg)	
(24 Hra)			Propofol		dose (mg)	
Time Of		1	Fentanyl		dose (mcg)	ĺ
Intubation (24 Hra)	-		Suxamethonium		dose (mg)	
			Rocuronium		dose (mg)	

Attempt	Intubator	Specialty + Seniority (eg ED Reg)	No. Previous Intubations (Please circle)	Laryngoscope M=Macintosh V=Video (Type) O=Other (State)	Cormack 8 Grade (1 Direct	Lehane -2-3-4) Video	B=bougie S=stylet N=neither	External Laryngeal Manipulation	Cricoid (Y/N)	Manual In-line Stabilisation
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2			<10 10-100 >100							
3			<10 10-100 >100							
4			<10 10-100 >100							
5			<10 10-100 >100							

*NRBM = Non Re-Breather Mask, BVM = Bag Valve Mask, BVM+PEEP = PEEP Valve attached to BVM, CPAP/BiPAP = NIV for preoxygenation

*NP = Nasal Prongs, BVM = Active Ventilation using BVM after induction until laryngoscopy, CPAP/BiPAP = NIV after induction until laryngoscopy

ETT Placement Confirmation - Tick one only									
Waveform capnography		Colour cl	hange cap	nometry		Clinical confirmation alone			
Intubation Manoeuvres -	Tick all that apply	у							
		NIL				Cricoid pressure removed			
Guedel / NPA in	nserted post	induction				LMA inserted post induction			
BVM ventilati	on after faile	d attempt				Patient position changed			

Intubation Complications – Tick all that apply		
NIL	Oesophageal intubation	
Equipment Failure – state what in comments	Mainstem bronchial intubation	
Desaturation – Sa02 < 93%	Vomit – no aspiration	
Bradycardia –HR < 60bpm	Vomit – with aspiration	
Hypotension – requiring IV fluid/pressors	Laryngospasm	
Dental trauma due to intubation	Medication error	
Airway trauma by intubator	Cardiac arrest	
Second dose of paralytic agent	Other (State in Comments)	





"LEON" Evaluation	Cormack and Lehane Grading
Look Externally: Facial Trauma Large for Moots Large for Moots Large Tongue Evaluate 3-3-2 Rule: Inter incisor distance ≥ 3 fingers Hyoid-mental distance ≥ 3 fingers Thyroid-hyoid distance ≥ 3 fingers Obstruction (eg haematoma, epiglottitis, large tonsils) Neck mobility limited?	Grade II Grade III Grade III Grade III Grade IV

THANK YOU

Admin use only:

Data reviewed Data complete More data required Form updated Sequence No.

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Intubations by Age (n=270)



Medical Indication for Intubation (n=195)



Traumatic Indication for Intubation (n=73)





Vital Signs*	Medical	Trauma	Overall
GCS <9	136 (76.4)	35 (51.5)	171 (69.5)
SBP Hypotension	21 (13.3)	7 (10.8)	28 (12.6)
Respiratory Rate Tachypnea Bradypnea	44 (27.5) 44 (27.5)	5 (8.1) 20 (32.3)	49 (22.1) 64 (28.8)
SpO ₂ Hypoxic	32 (18.6)	6 (9.0)	38 (15.9)

Pre-oxygenation Technique (n=270)





Apnoeic Oxygenation %





Number of Attempts until Intubation Success





First Pass Success % by Age





Complications







Desaturation by Age







Variables	n (%)	FPS (%)	Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% CI)	P value
Male	160 (59.3)	78.8	1	-
Female	110 (40.7)	81.8	1.56 (0.55-4.44)	0.41
ACEM TOTE defineation	200 (74 1)	82.0	1 36 (0 22-8 32)	0.74
Level 3/ urban district	200 (74.1)	75 7	A 34 (0.99- 19.08)	0.74
Level 3/ urban district	33 (12 2)	72.7	1	0.52
No Medications	35 (13.0)	77.1	1	-
Induction agent / muscle	16 (5.9)	80.8	0.25 (0.03-2.18)	0.21
relaxant only				
Standard RSI	219 (81.1)	75.0	0.44 (0.03-2.32)	0.26
Laryngoscope				
Macintosh	126 (52.1)	77.9	1	
Video	62 (25.6)	91.9	8.29 (1.34-51.19)	0.02
Miller	42 (17.4)	61.9	0.61 (0.17-2.21)	0.45
Adjuncts				
None	139 (54.1)	80.6	1	
Bougie	56 (21.8)	83.9	2.23 (0.450-10.02)	0.30
Stylet	62 (24.1)	79.0	0.70 (0.20 2.41)	0.57
Airway Assessment Conducted	444 (40 4)	77.0	4	
NO	114 (40.1)	<i>11.2</i> 92.0	2 26 (1 12 0 0E)	020
Team Leader specialty	125 (51.9)	02.9	3.30 (1.13-9.95)	.029
Emergency	234 (87 6)	80.8	6 14 (1 30 - 27 21)	017
Other	33 (12 4)	72 7	1	.017
Intubator Experience	00 (1214)		•	
0-99 intubations	99 (37.9)	77.8	1	
>100 intubations	162 (62.1)	82.7	2.90 (1.04-8.1)	.042
Cricoid pressure				
None	196 (76.6)	78.6	1	
Pressure applied	98 (36.8)	86.7	10.92 (1.46 - 81.48)	.02
Difficult airway	(/			-
No	168 (70.9)	82.1	2.68 (0.88-8.163)	.08
Yes	69 (29.1)	69.6	1	
Cormack and Lehane grade‡				
I-II (Good view)	217 (88.6)	86.6	10.07 (2.05-49.39)	.004
III- IV	28 (11.4)	32.1	1	







Video used with Permission. Dr Richard Levitan, airwaycam.com



- Clinician self report
- Non representative Sample of Australasian EDs
- Generic data collection tool
- Lack of outcome data beyond ED episode

Future Directions



- New research questions
 - ?Role of Cricoid Pressure in ED Paediatric Intubation
 - ?Impact and availability of VL for ED Paediatric Intubation
 - ?Optimal Skill Maintenance Programs for Individuals and Teams

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