If Intubation is not successful the following “Failed Intubation Drill” MUST BE FOLLOWED:

**Were vocal cords visualised during Initial laryngoscopy?**

- **Yes**
  - **Objective confirmation of tracheal placement (ODD ETCo2)?**
    - **YES**
      - Continue management in accordance with the relevant CMG
    - **NO**
      - **DO NOT CONTINUE WITH FRUITLESS ATTEMPTS TO INTUBATE UNDER DIRECT VISION**

- **NO**
  - **Insert OP airway and ventilate with 100% O2**
  - **Check head /neck position BURP manoeuvre**
  - **Re-attempt intubation under direct Vision, after suction or removal of foreign body, as required**
  - **Immediately remove ETT and insert OP or NP airway and re-ventilate with 100% O2**

**Able to oxygenate and ventilate?**

- **YES**
  - Attempt digital placement (on appropriate patients)
  - If unsuccessful insert LMA
  - **Able to oxygenate and ventilate?**
    - **YES**
      - Continue management in accordance with the relevant CMG Incident report to be submitted
    - **NO**
      - **CRICOTHYROTOMY**

- **NO**
  - **CONSIDER**

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