COVID ED Rapid Sequence Protected Intubation ALGORITHM

STAFF PROTECTION:

- DON full airborne precaution PPE (Refer to Donning protocol)
- MINIMIZE staff exposure (3 staff: ED OR Anesthesia faculty + ARI MO+ARI nurse, + 1 standby)

PREPARATION:

- INFORM: ED faculty, Anesthesia ±Pediatrics
- ASSIGN Roles, team brief
- CHECK equipment and medicines**
- CONNECT patient to the monitor
- ACCESS IV line with IVF. Vasopressor ready.

PREOXYGENATION

- Facemask attached to AMBU bag WITH HME filter
- V-E 2 hand grip to maintain seal (figure)
- DO NOT BAG the patient.
- USE LMA if bagging required
- POSITIONING: Head elevated



MEDICATION

- Induction: Midazolam (0.1mg/kg) or Ketamine (1-2mg/kg)
- FULL PARALYSIS: Rocuronium (1.5mg/kg)

INTUBATION: To be done by the most experienced personnel.

- Wait till patient FULLY PARALYZED
- TURN OFF wall oxygen, then remove BMV
- Intubate using bougie
- CLOSED SUCTION ONLY if needed.
- Remove bougie and dispose carefully (designated space)
- INFLATE cuff, then ONLY perform BMV with SMALL TIDAL VOLUME with HME filter



POSTINTUBATION

- DO NOT AUSCULTATE the lung with stethoscope
- Use Lung USG and ETCO2 to confirm tube placement
- Initiate sedation
- CLAMP ETT for any disconnection from circuit
- COVER the face and ETT while transferring patient to ICU
- Disinfection of the equipment (Refer to Disinfection protocol)
- DOFF the PPE (Refer to Doffing protocol)

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COVID - 19 AIRWAY TEAM

- 1 ED FACUTLY/ ANESTHESIA/ PEDIATRIC ON CALL
- 2 ARI MO (Airway Assistant)
- 3 ARI NURSE/ PARAMEDIC

ARI RESUSCITATION ZONE SET - UP Monitor **A**irway trolley **S**uction port Oxygen port **D**efibrillator IV access and medication tray VTM tray

CHECKLIST

EQUIPMENT CHECK	MONITORS	DRUGS
□ Suction checked	□ SpO2	□ IV Access
☐ HME filter attached to AMBU	□ ECG	□ Ketamine OR □ Midazolam
□ Laryngoscope – 2 blades (check battery)	□ NIBPM	□ Rocuronium
□ ETT – 2 sizes, cuffed (checked and lubricated)	□ USG	□ Emergency drugs Adrenaline/Atropine
□ Bougie/ Stylet/Clamp		□ Vasopressor +push dose adrenaline
□ Tube fixing tape		□ Post- induction sedation
□ Nasopharyngeal airway		□Other:
□ Oro-pharyngeal Airway		
□ Syringe – 10 ml		
□ LMA		