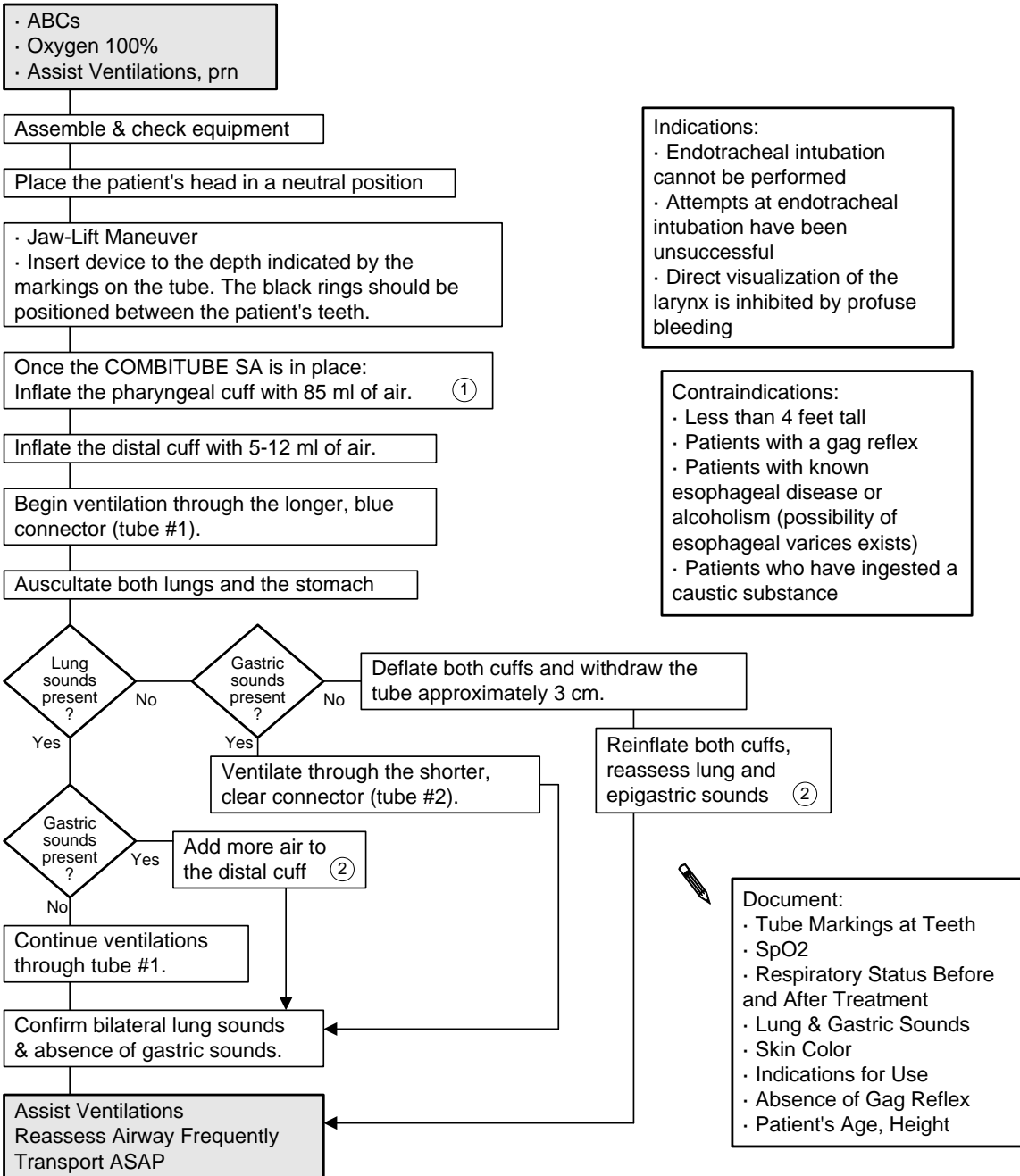


# COMBITUBE SA Airway

# ILS Protocol



**Indications:**

- Endotracheal intubation cannot be performed
- Attempts at endotracheal intubation have been unsuccessful
- Direct visualization of the larynx is inhibited by profuse bleeding

**Contraindications:**

- Less than 4 feet tall
- Patients with a gag reflex
- Patients with known esophageal disease or alcoholism (possibility of esophageal varices exists)
- Patients who have ingested a caustic substance

**Document:**

- Tube Markings at Teeth
- SpO2
- Respiratory Status Before and After Treatment
- Lung & Gastric Sounds
- Skin Color
- Indications for Use
- Absence of Gag Reflex
- Patient's Age, Height

1 This seals the device in the posterior pharynx behind the hard palate. More air may be added to the pharyngeal cuff if an inadequate seal is detected during ventilation.

2 At NO time should the patient's airway or ventilatory status be compromised. If placement is unsuccessful, remove the device and return to oropharyngeal airway and assist via bag-valve-mask.

NOTE: This protocol is ONLY to be used with the Combitube SA and does NOT apply to the STANDARD Combitube.

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