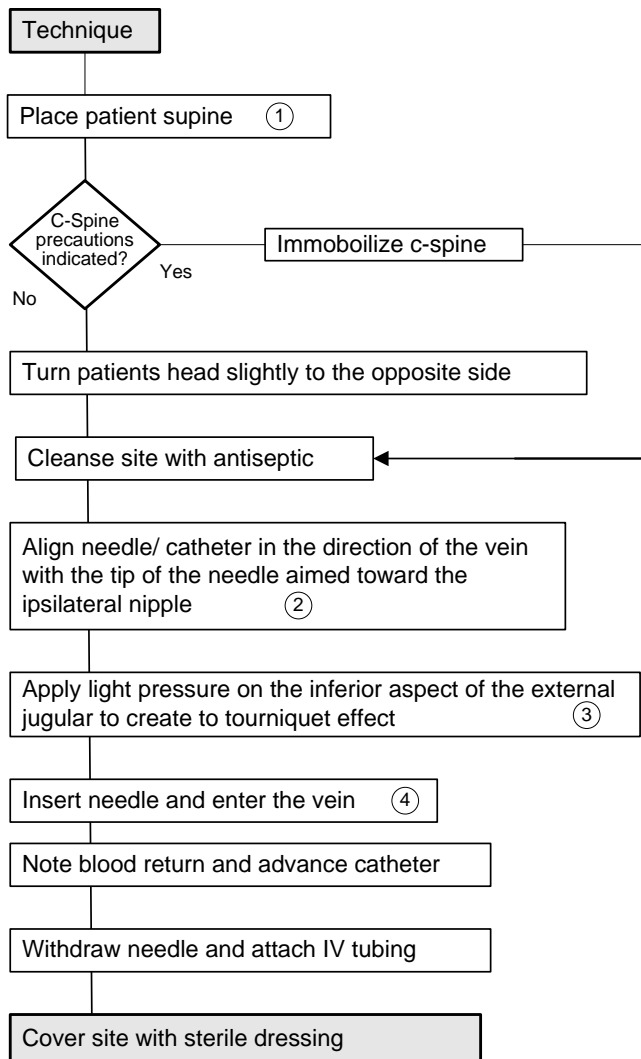


External Jugular Cannulation

ALS
procedure



- Items needed:
- IV Needle/ catheter
 - IV Fluid
 - IV Tubing
 - Antiseptic
 - Tape
 - Dressing



- Document:
- Procedure
 - ABC's
 - Detailed Assessment
 - Vital signs, SpO2
 - Cardiac Rhythm
 - Number of attempts
 - Amount of IV fluid administered.

- 1 Trendelenburg position is an ideal position. This position is not mandatory, yet will help distend the external jugular vein and decrease the likelihood of introducing air into the vein.
- 2 Ipsilateral: "on the same side." If you are cannulating the right external jugular vein the needle should be aimed toward the right nipple.
- 3 Light pressure below the vein will help distend the vein. This is best done by an able assistant.
- 4 Be certain air is not allowed to enter the vein.