Plan A: Facemask ventilation and tracheal intubation

Laryngoscopy
- Succeed: Tracheal intubation
- Failed intubation:
  - Supraglottic Airway Device
    - Succeed:
      - Options (consider risks and benefits):
        1. Wake the patient up
        2. Intubate trachea via the SAD
        3. Proceed without intubating the trachea
        4. Tracheostomy or cricothyroidotomy
    - Failed SAD ventilation:
      - Final attempt at facemask ventilation
        - Succeed: Wake the patient up
        - CICO

Plan B: Maintaining oxygenation: SAD insertion

Plan C: Facemask ventilation

Plan D: Emergency front of neck access

This flowchart forms part of the DAS Guidelines for unanticipated difficult intubation in adults 2015 and should be used in conjunction with the text.