

DAS Difficult intubation guidelines – overview

Plan A:

Facemask ventilation and tracheal intubation

Laryngoscopy

Succeed

Tracheal intubation

Failed intubation

Plan B:

Maintaining oxygenation:
SAD insertion

Supraglottic Airway
Device

Succeed

STOP AND THINK

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

Plan C:

Facemask ventilation

Final attempt at face
mask ventilation

Succeed

Wake the patient up

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Plan D:

Emergency front of neck
access

Cricothyroidotomy