

AIRWAY MANAGEMENT - BEYOND BASIC



Course Description

This course, an addition to the BEYOND BASIC series, is designed to give the ICU trainee a structured approach to management of the upper airway.

Commonly reported airway events in ICU include difficult and failed intubation and tracheostomy related problems. Themes associated with airway disasters include failure to identify high risk airways and failure of advanced airway skills and rescue techniques.

The course includes pre-course reading (course manual provided), pre-course MCQs, e-learning and classroom lectures but the main focus will be the skill stations to develop hands on expertise in rescue techniques and decision making in a crisis situation. Case studies will be used to illustrate situational awareness and decision making.

Who Should Attend?

The course is intended for ICU fellows and trainees with prior anaesthetic experience. It assumes basic upper airway skills. It would also be useful for trainees in Anaesthesia and Emergency Medicine. This course is endorsed by CICM as an airway course for **post 2014 trainees** and **specialist high level CPD requirement for fellows**. The course is also endorsed by ANZCA for CICO (ER-19-CICO-096 and by Difficult Airway Society, UK

The Course will cover.

- Direct and indirect laryngoscopy (video laryngoscopy)
- Laryngeal mask airways
- Double lumen tube intubation
- Bronchoscopy and fibre-optic intubation
- Tracheostomy and cricothyrotomy
- Intubation planning, airway assessment
- Anticipated and unanticipated difficult intubation
- Endotracheal tube exchange
- Acute upper airway obstruction



Date: 22nd and 23rd April 2026 Time: 0800-1700

Venue: Department of Intensive Care Services, Westmead Public Hospital, NSW

Course Fee: \$550 (JMO -: Westmead Hospital only), \$800 (External JMO applicants), \$ 1200 (Specialists)

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