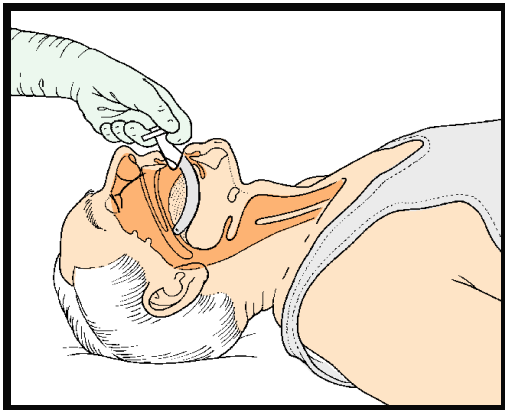


Clinical Learning Guide

Oropharyngeal airway insertion

STEP/TASK	AP	IP	NP
Inspecting the victim:			
Oropharyngeal airway insertion			
1. Identify the need for a Guedel airway (e.g. if the airway is obstructed or the patient is unconscious).			
2. Size the Guedel airway by measuring the distance from the incisors to the angle of the jaw. The most commonly used sizes are 2 for a small adult, 3 for a medium adult and 4 for a large adult.			
3. Insert the Guedel airway so that its concave side faces away from the tongue.			
4. Insert the airway into the mouth to approximately one-third of its length. Whilst gently pushing the airway further in, rotate it 180° and slide it in to its full extent.			
5. Check for breathing.			

AP = Adequately Performed
 IP = Inadequately Performed
 NP = Not Performed



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