DO NOT FORGET · THE SHORT CHECKLIST

# Critical-care transfer

Inter- and intra-hospital transfer of the ventilated or unstable patient

EM Orbit

| Patient reference | Date | Time | Completed by |
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## The 3 steps that must not be missed

- [ ] DECISION AND COMMUNICATION
  **Accepting consultant and bed confirmed: name, unit, phone number**

- [ ] PATIENT STABILISED
  **Airway secure: tube depth checked, tied, cuff pressure, capnography; consider intubating BEFORE transfer if the airway may fail en route**

- [ ] EQUIPMENT AND DRUGS
  **Oxygen: calculate need = minute volume × $FiO_2$ × journey minutes ×2 safety margin; cylinders full**
  A full CD cylinder ≈ 460 L; an E cylinder ≈ 680 L.

The short list: an aid to memory, not the whole procedure. The full checklist is at the QR code. It does not replace your local protocol or your clinical judgement. Source: Intensive Care Society 2019 · AAGBI 2009.