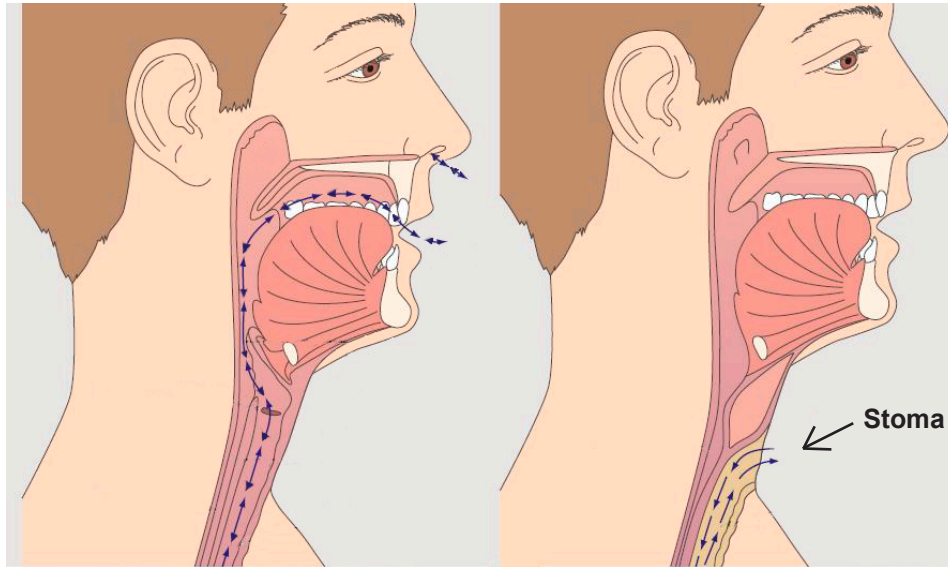


I am a laryngectomee, a TOTAL Neck Breather. I only breathe through the hole in my neck, my stoma. I am NOT a trach patient who can still breath through the nose and mouth.

Normal Breathing

Laryngectomee Breathing



If I require oxygen it can only be given via my neck stoma. I can be bagged using a child or infant mask over my stoma.

If I require intubation the preferred device is the “Laryngoflex.”



Laryngoflex
Teleflex.com
1-(866) 246-6990

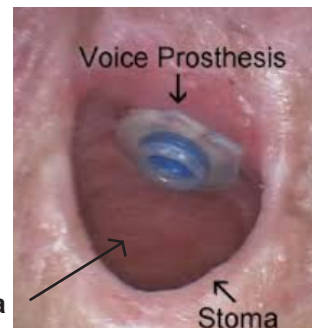
If not available, a standard cuffed endotracheal tube of the correct diameter should be inserted into my neck stoma.



Cuffed endotracheal tube

Do not occlude the carina (average depth 8.3 cm).

If I am wearing a voice prosthesis, leave it in place, if possible. If removed, place a rubber catheter in the puncture to keep it open (patient) and to prevent aspiration.



Signed (received by) _____

Trachea

Stoma