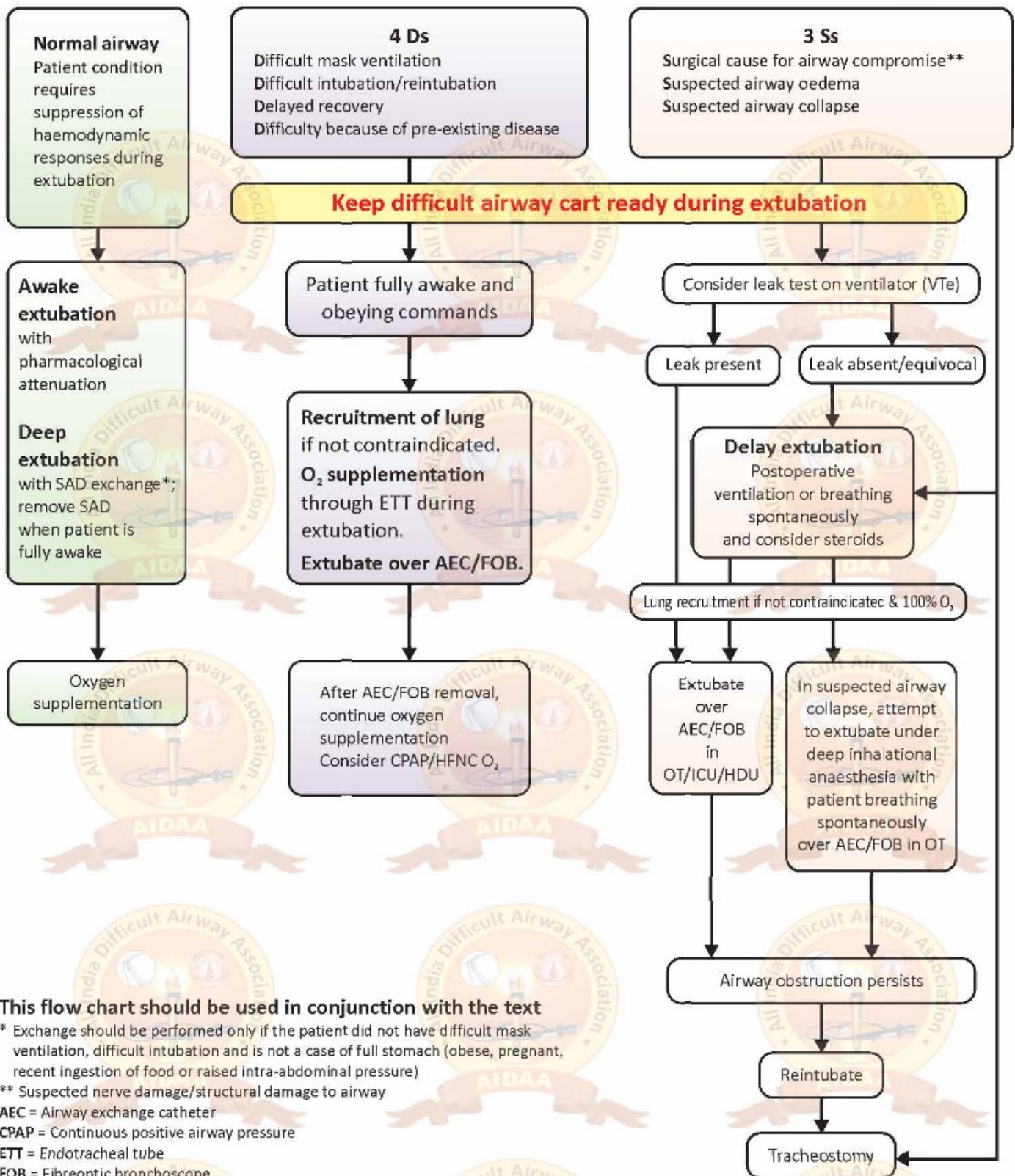


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This flow chart should be used in conjunction with the text

* Exchange should be performed only if the patient did not have difficult mask ventilation, difficult intubation and is not a case of full stomach (obese, pregnant, recent ingestion of food or raised intra-abdominal pressure)

** Suspected nerve damage/structural damage to airway

AEC = Airway exchange catheter

CPAP = Continuous positive airway pressure

ETT = Endotracheal tube

FOB = Fiberoptic bronchoscope

HDU = High dependency unit

HFNC = High flow nasal cannula

ICU = Intensive care unit

O₂ = Oxygen

OT = Operation theatre

SAD = Supraglottic airway device

VTe = Expired tidal volume

Post- procedure plan

1. Treat airway oedema if suspected
2. Monitor for any complications
3. Counseling and documentation