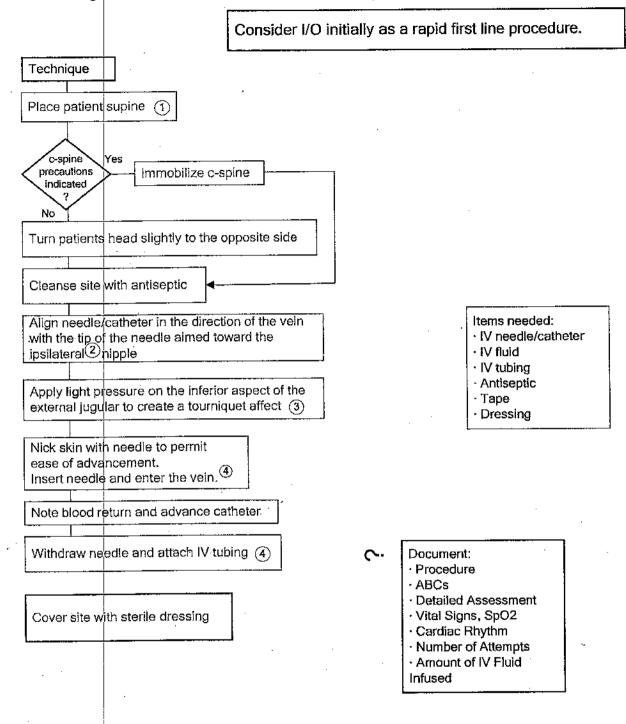
External Jugular Cannulation



- 1 Trendelenburg position is an ideal position. This position is not mandatory yet will help distend the external jugular vein and decrease the likelihood of introducing air into the vein.
- 2 Ipsilateral: "on the same side". If you are cannulating the right external jugular vein the needle should be aimed toward the right nipple.
- 3 Light pressure below the vein will help distend the vein. This is best done by an able assistant.
- 4 Be certain air is not allowed to enter the vein. Cap catheter with finger to prevent air embolus.

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