

INTUBATION OF THE LARYNX

- Trachea was intubated either via a tracheostomy or through the larynx in an attempt to provide an airway for an asphyxiated or dead animal or human.
- Joseph O'Dwyer's pioneering work with intubation of the larynx in children with diphtheria
- Brief adoption of tracheal tubes by McEwen in Glasgow in 1920.
- Inflatable cuff to this rubber tube by Ralph Waters and Arthur Guedel paved the way for closed-circuit anesthesia and true isolation of the airway.
- Introduction of the laryngeal mask airway by Brain in the late 1980s that any major advance in airway care occurred.