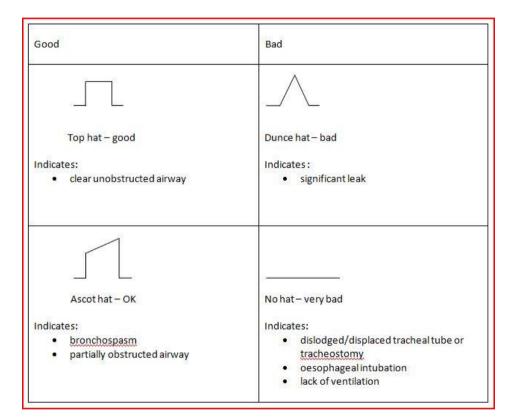


## Capnography: No Trace = Wrong Place!



If no capnograph trace  $\Rightarrow$  actively exclude oesophageal intubation

- Visualise larynx ideally with videolaryngoscope +/- reintubate
- Visualise tracheal rings using flexible bronchoscope

## Then consider...

- Tracheal tube/tracheostomy displaced, blocked or kinked
- Lack of ventilation
- Severe bronchospasm
- Capnography tubing disconnected/kinked

Capnography trace in cardiac arrest may look attenuated but *should still be present* 

Remember 'Posh hats are best in Bath!'

https://rcoa.ac.uk/safety-standards-quality/guidance-resources/capnography-no-trace-wrong-place

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