

Cricothyroidotomy

- · Quick, relatively easy
- · Anesthetic not essential
- · Life saving
- · Insert any small round airway

Tracheostomy

- Not usually an emergency
- · Needs full anesthetic
- Ideal for temporary or permanent intubation
- · Hole cut in 2nd & 3rd tracheal rings
- · Inferior thyroid veins can be troublesome

