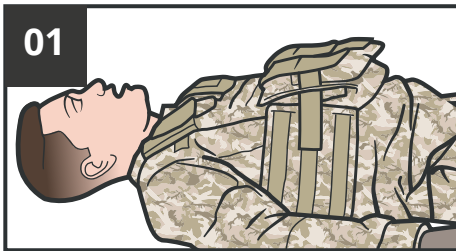


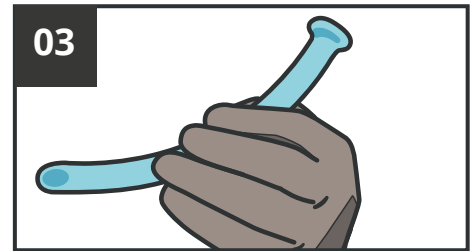
NASOPHARYNGEAL AIRWAY (NPA) INSERTION



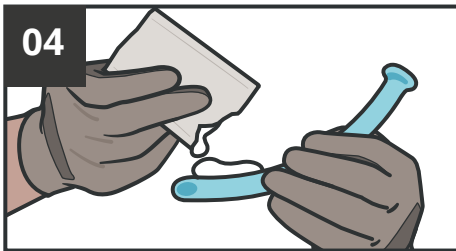
01 **PLACE** the casualty supine (on their back) with their head in a neutral position.



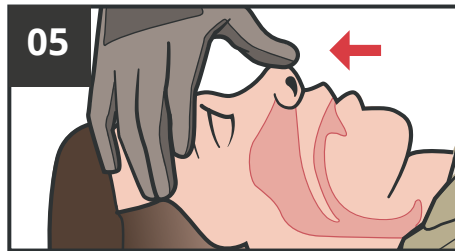
02 **INSPECT** nose and nasal passages for obstructions preventing insertion of NPA.



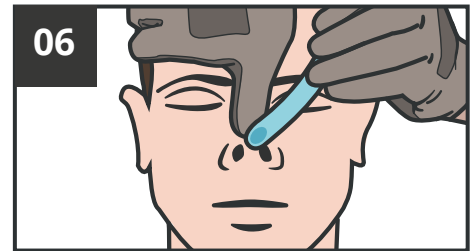
03 **OPEN** the NPA device in the casualty's JFAK.



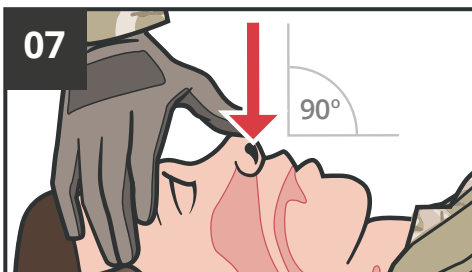
04 **LUBRICATE** end of NPA device with the sterile water-based lubricating jelly found in the JFAK or with water.



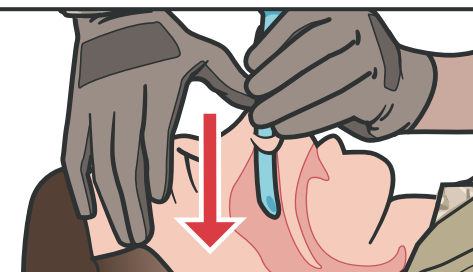
05 **EXPOSE** opening of casualty's right nostril by pushing the tip of the nose upward gently ("piggy the nose").



06 **POSITION** tube so that the beveled (open) end faces toward the septum (the strip of skin separating the nostrils).



07 **INSERT** NPA device into the right nostril (at a 90-degree angle to the casualty's face).



08 **PUSH** NPA toward the ground (**not** toward the top of the head) using a fluid movement...



until the flange (flared end) is flush with the nostril.

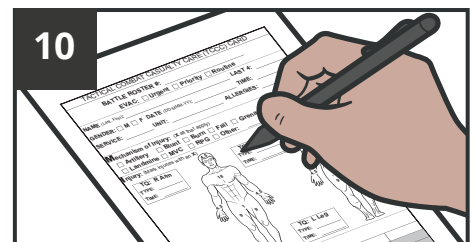
CAUTION: Never force the NPA into the nostril. If resistance is met, attempt a slight twisting motion and try to gently reinsert. If successful, but the casualty gags or chokes, pull the NPA out slightly and leave it in place. If unsuccessful, pull the NPA completely out and attempt to insert it into the left nostril.



08 **REASSESS** breathing and respiration by using the **LOOK, LISTEN**, and **FEEL** technique.



09 **POSITION** casualty in either a sitting or recovery position.



10 **DOCUMENT** all findings and treatments on the DD1380 TCCC Casualty Card and attach to casualty.