



Signs of Impending Airway Compromise

- drooling
- lethargy
- tripod position
- marked retractions
- tachycardia
- cyanosis or pallor
- rapid progression of symptoms

Important Supportive Measures

1. Keep child upright or in position of comfort.
2. Turn lights down and minimize unpleasant interventions.
3. May take child outside for cool air.
4. Minimize invasive measures – keep child CALM!
5. **DO NOT** give albuterol; this can worsen croup.

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- croup (most common in ages 6 months to 3 years)
- foreign body
- tracheomalacia
- angioedema
- tracheitis
- epiglottitis
- abscess

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If no racemic epinephrine available, mix 1 mL of 1:1000 epi with 1 bullet of NS and give via nebulizer.

