

#57 - PERFORMING OROPHARYNGEAL SUCTIONING**(Partner Check-Off)**

I acknowledge I have physically practiced and successfully learned the following skill(s):

Student: _____ Date: _____

	P1	P2	P3	Comments
1. Gathered the necessary equipment and supplies.				
2. Performed hand hygiene, and provided for the patient's privacy.				
3. Introduced self to the patient and family.				
4. Identified the patient using two identifiers. Compared the identifiers in the MAR/medical record with the information on the patient's identification bracelet.				
5. Applied a pulse oximeter to monitor the patient's oxygen saturation level.				
6. Helped the patient into a semi-Fowler's or sitting position.				
7. Assessed for signs that the patient may require suctioning.				
8. Draped the patient's neck and chest.				
9. Applied clean gloves. Put on a mask, gown, or face shield if splashing was likely.				
10. Filled a cup or basin with approximately 100 mL of sterile water or sterile normal saline.				
11. Connected one end of the connecting tubing to the suction machine and turned on the suction. Set the vacuum regulator to the appropriate setting. Connected the other end of the tubing to the Yankauer suction catheter.				
12. Checked to ensure the suction machine was functioning properly.				
13. Removed the patient's oxygen mask, if present. Kept the oxygen mask near the patient's face.				
14. Inserted the catheter into the patient's mouth, moving along the gum line to the pharynx. Moved the catheter around the mouth until all secretions were cleared. Encouraged the patient to cough. Replaced the patient's oxygen mask.				
15. Rinsed the catheter with water in a cup or basin until the connecting tubing				

had been cleared of secretions. Turned off the suction. Washed the patient's face if necessary.

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| 16. Observed the patient's respiratory status. Repeated the procedure, if indicated. | | | |
| 17. Removed towel, cloth, or disposable drape from patient, and placed it in the trash or in the laundry if soiled. Repositioned the patient. | | | |
| 18. Placed the catheter in a clean, dry area. | | | |
| 19. Positioned the patient, and provided oral hygiene if needed. | | | |
| 20. Discarded the remainder of the water into the appropriate receptacle. Discarded the disposable cup into the appropriate receptacle. | | | |
| 21. Removed gloves and mask or face shield, and disposed of them in the appropriate receptacles. | | | |
| 22. Performed hand hygiene. | | | |
| 23. Helped the patient into a comfortable position, and placed toiletries and personal items within reach. | | | |
| 24. Placed the call light within easy reach, and made sure the patient knew how to use it to summon assistance. | | | |
| 25. Raised the appropriate number of side rails and lowered the bed to the lowest position. Ensured bed wheels were locked. | | | |
| 26. Performed hand hygiene. | | | |
| 27. Documented and reported the patient's response and expected or unexpected outcomes. Documented the procedure, included how the patient tolerated the suctioning. Documented the amount, consistency, color, and odor of any secretions. | | | |

S = Satisfactory **U** = Unsatisfactory **NP** = Not Performed ***** = Must Perform to Pass

By signing below I acknowledge that I witnessed the skill performed and the student successfully passed the skill.

Practice 1: Evaluator: _____ Signature: _____

Practice 2: Evaluator: _____ Signature: _____

FINAL Student Evaluator: _____ Signature: _____