

Skill #9: Ear Medication Administration

Student Name _____

Skills Performance Objectives/Steps	Performed Correctly?	
	Yes	No
1. Perform skills in Skill #4A: General Medication Administration Preparation Steps		
2. Get help to assist with ear medication administration to a confused resident		
3. Select the correct ear		
4. Assist resident to a comfortable sitting position with head tilted toward the side that does not need drops. Can have resident lie down with ear needing medication pointing up		
5. Warm ear drops in hands before giving		
6. Put on clean gloves		
7. Instruct resident to hold head still while you drop in drops		
8. Administer eardrops. Straighten the ear canal • Gently pull the ear up and back		
9. Drop exact number of drops into ear without touching the resident's ear, hair or your hands or fingers with the dropper		
10. Gently press the ear closed for a few seconds, to keep drops from running out		
11. Ask resident to remain lying on their side for 5 minutes		
12. Replace and tighten cap on eardrop bottle		
13. If stated on MAR, place a small piece of cotton loosely in ear after putting in drops. Leave in place for 15-20 minutes		
14. Remove gloves		
15. Cleanse hands		
16. Perform skills in Skill #4B: General Medication Administration Subsequent Steps		

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Comments:

Evaluator Name/Credentials_____
Date