**Administering Aural Medication**

*Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.*

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| **CRITERIA**  | Points Possible | Points Earned |
| The student successfully administered the proper amount of medication into the ear canal.* Student reads medication bottle to determine proper dose – 4 pts
* Student places the patient in sitting or sternal position on exam table or floor and retrains patient. – 4 pts
* Student holds the pinna of the ear upright at a 90 degree angle and slightly back – 4 pts
* Student counts each drop of medication during administration – 4 pts
* Student does not touch the ear with the medication dispenser – 4pts
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| The student massages the base of the outside of the ear canal causing a swishing sound from the medication moving around in the ear canal.* Student identifies the ear canal by placing one finger in front of the ear and one finger behind the ear. – 5 pts
* Student massages the base of the ear canal against the head in a circular motion – 3 pts
* Student massages for five seconds. – 2 pts
* Student checks for a swishing sound – 5 pts
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| The student wipes any solution that may have leaked onto the outside of the ear flap or hair. * Student checks for leaked solution – 5 pts
* Student uses a clean cotton swab or gauze – 5 pts
* Student wipes any solution on the outside of the earflap or fur – 5 pts
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| TOTAL POINTS  | 50 |  |