

SKILL 29-6 Endotracheal and Tracheostomy Suctioning

Student: _____

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- S U 1. Carries out Standard Steps A, B, C, D, and E as need indicates.
- 2. Attaches connecting tubing, turns on suction, and checks pressure.
- 3. Performs hand hygiene, opens supplies, and dons sterile gloves.
- 4. Sets up water container.
- 5. Places sterile drape, if available, across patient's chest.
- 6. Pours solution.
- 7. Connects catheter to tubing with sterile technique.
- 8. Preoxygenates patient.
- 9. Moistens catheter and tests suction.
- 10. Disconnects ventilator tubing, if ventilator in use.
- 11. Suctions patient via endotracheal or tracheostomy tube using sterile technique
- 12. Suctions for no more than 10 seconds.
- 13. Reattaches patient to oxygen source.
- 14. Allows rest period of 20–30 seconds between suctioning.
- 15. Rinses catheter and tubing.
- 16. Disposes of catheter and gloves properly.
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- 17. Auscultates lungs to verify success of suctioning.
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For Sleeved Catheter

- 18. Adapts procedure for suctioning with sleeved catheter, omitting moistening the catheter.
- 19. Properly rinses catheter after suctioning.
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- 20. Documents procedure.
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- 21. Carries out Standard Steps X, Y, and Z.

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