

## Tracheostomy Suctioning Validation Rubric

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle: Satisfactory / Unsatisfactory

\* Student arrives in required clinical dress

\* Steps in bold are critical requirements

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

PROCEDURE STEPS	S	U	COMMENTS
<b>Verifies MD orders, identifies the patient with two identifiers, performs hand hygiene, and privacy.</b> Explains procedure to patient.			
<b>Places patient in semi-fowler's to high fowler's position, raises bed to waist level for sterile technique.</b>			
<b>Performs hand hygiene, applies gloves and face shield if applicable. Assesses respiratory status.</b>			
Places drape on patients' chest, turn on wall suction and verbalizes suction limitations. <b>Opens suction kit, pours sterile saline in container. Dons sterile gloves, removes suction catheter from plastic sleeve being careful not to contaminate catheter tip. Connects the suction tubing to the suction catheter and dips suction catheter tip into saline to assure suction is working.</b>			
<b>Suctions the tracheostomy using intermittent suctioning, sterile technique, and oxygenation measures.</b> <b>Flushes the catheter with saline.</b>			
Assesses effectiveness for another attempt.			
Turns off the suctioning. Reconnects oxygen to the tracheostomy according to MD orders.			
Removes gloves and performs hand hygiene. Places patient in a comfortable position (HOB 30 degrees), bed in lowest position, and call light in reach. Provides mouth care.			
Documents procedure and observations.			

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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