

Sage Q•Care® Oral Cleansing and Suctioning System

Competency skill checklist

Name:
Date:

Prior to use	Completed	Comments
1. Performs oral cavity assessment per hospital protocol.		
2. Refers to manufacturer’s instructions for suction set up.		
3. Performs hand hygiene, applies clean gloves.		
4. Gathers supplies and necessary equipment.		
Oral care using Continue Care System	Completed	Comments
5. Sets up suction canister with tubing per hospital protocol.		
6. Opens package and assembles product necessary to perform oral hygiene.		
7. Connects tubing to suction port on the canister.		
8. If additional suction port is needed, attaches a Y connector to suction port.		
9. Connects the cleansing and suctioning tools directly to suction tubing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covered Yankauer • Suction swab • Suction toothbrush • Suction catheter 		
10. Explains procedure to patient.		
11. Uses a bite block for patients with altered mental status or those who cannot follow commands.		
Suctioning with Yankauer	Completed	Comments
12. Uses the covered Yankauer to aid in the removal of oral secretions.		
13. Retracts sleeve until cap locks in place.		
14. Moves switch to ON to suction oral cavity.		
15. Moves switch to OFF when suctioning is complete.		
16. Cleanses Yankauer and suction tubing by suctioning water until tubing is clear.		
17. Pulls sleeve up and over the Yankauer when not in use.		
18. Discards Yankauer and Y connector after 24 hours of use.		
Suction Swab with Antiseptic Rinse	Completed	Comments
19. Before opening, turns package over and uses thumbs to open Corinz burst package.		
20. Peels lid to open swab package ensuring adequate solution on swab.		
21. Attaches suction swab to suction tubing.		
22. Cleanses mouth, gums, tongue with swab.		
23. Activates suction by placing thumb over port.		

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24. Clears tubing with water after use.		
25. Discards swab after use.		
Suction Toothbrush with Antiseptic Rinse	Completed	Comments
26. Peels lid to open package.		
27. Attaches suction toothbrush to suction tubing.		
28. Brushes teeth and oral cavity for 1 minute.		
29. Activates suction by placing thumb over port.		
30. Clears tubing with water after use.		
31. Discards toothbrush after use.		
Suction Catheter	Completed	Comments
32. Peels lid to open package.		
33. Attaches suction catheter to suction tubing.		
34. Activates suction by placing thumb over port.		
35. Suctions oropharyngeal secretions.		
36. Clears tubing with water after use.		
37. Discards suction catheter after use.		

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Observer signature