

CHAPTER 34 PROCEDURE CHECKLISTS

PROCEDURE 34-1

Assisting a Person With an In-the-Ear Hearing Aid

Inserting an In-the-Ear Hearing Aid

Getting Ready

1. Complete the "Getting Ready" steps.
2. Check the hearing aid to make sure the volume is down and the hearing aid is turned off.
3. Help the person to a comfortable position, with his head turned so that the ear needing the hearing aid is closest to you.
4. Inspect the ear canal for excessive cerumen (ear wax). If you see excessive wax build-up in the ear canal, gently wipe the ear canal with a warm, moist washcloth.
5. Gently insert the tapered end of the hearing aid into the external auditory canal. Gently rotate the hearing aid so that it fits into the curve of the ear. With one hand, push up and in. Use your other hand to pull gently down on the person's earlobe. The hearing aid should fit snugly but comfortably, flush with the ear.
6. Turn on the control switch. Adjust the volume by talking to the person as you increase the volume. Stop increasing the volume when the person can hear you.

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Finishing Up

7. Complete the "Finishing Up" steps.

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Removing an In-the-Ear Hearing Aid

Getting Ready

1. Complete the "Getting Ready" steps.
2. Turn off the hearing aid.
3. Gently pull up on the person's ear. This will allow you to lift the hearing aid up and out of the person's ear.
4. Remove the batteries before storing the hearing aid in its case. Make sure the case is labeled with the person's name.

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Finishing Up

5. Complete the "Finishing Up" steps.

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