

Clinical Procedures Practicum

ADMINISTERING AURAL MEDICATION

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student successfully administered the proper amount of medication into the ear canal. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear pinna held upright • Correct amount of medication was administered without contamination 	20	
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.	15	
The student wipes any solution that may have leaked onto the outside of the ear flap or hair.	15	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

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ADMINISTERING AN INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student selected the proper site for administration.	10	
The student directs the needle through the skin and into the muscle.	10	
The student aspirates; if no blood is noted, injects.	10	
The student withdraws the needle and places in the sharps container.	10	
The student massages the area where the injection was given and praises the patient.	10	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

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BANDAGE REMOVAL

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student chooses the bandage scissors and holds in proper orientation.	10	
The student keeps the blade flat against the body and the tip raised slightly upward in contact with bandage.	10	
The student begins cutting each layer from the distal end moving proximally.	10	
The student gently removes each layer of bandage.	10	
The student notes the status of the unbandaged area and states if it is normal or if there are any problems.	6	
The student cleans up work area.	4	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

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FECAL FLOTATION WITH FECALYZER

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student selects about 1/4 teaspoon of feces and places it into a fecalyzer.	6	
The student adds enough flotation solution to fill the fecalyzer about half full.	6	
The student mixes the feces into solution until no large fecal particles remain.	6	
The student places insert into fecalyzer.	6	
The student fills the vial with more solution until there is a visible meniscus at the top.	6	
The student places a cover slip on top of the fecalyzer.	6	
The student allows the vial to sit undisturbed for 10 to 15 minutes.	6	
The student carefully removes the cover slip without tilting it and places it on a microscope slide.	8	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

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PREPARE A SURGICAL PACK FOR STERILIZATION

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student gathers the appropriate instruments and instrument pan if applicable.	5	
The student gathers additional supplies if applicable.	10	
The student selects the appropriate packaging material and chemical indicator.	10	
The student assembles the pack correctly by following the instructions on the checklist or recipe.	10	
The student places the chemical indicator in the correct area of the pack.	10	
The student properly wraps, secures and labels the pack.	5	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

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PRESCRIPTION FILLING

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student reads and verbally interprets prescription.	10	
The student selects the correct drug and concentration.	20	
The student places the pill counting tray on the pharmacy counter with the channel to the left and the open plate in front of him or her.	1	
The student pours the medication tablets or capsules onto the tray plate.	1	
The student opens the channel cover.	1	
The student uses a spatula or tongue depressor to push groups of tablets or capsules into the channel.	1	
When the student has counted the desired amount of medication, he or she closes the channel cover. The student tilts the tray to return the unused medicine into the stock bottle.	4	
The student lifts the tray to place the channel spout into the medicine vial and transfers medication.	4	
The student places the lid on the vial and sets it on the counter.	1	
The student appropriately fills out label with prescription information.	7	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

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ADMINISTER ORAL TABLET/CAPSULE

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student reads and interprets the veterinarian's order.	10	
The student selects the correct drug and concentration.	20	
The student is able to open the mouth of the animal.	5	
The student maintains control of the head or muzzle during the administration of the medication.	5	
The student uses an appropriate technique to encourage the patient to swallow.	5	
The student is able to control the animal in a manner that is adequate to administer the medication yet did no harm to the patient.	5	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Handling and Restraining Practicum

APPLYING A CAT MUZZLE

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student opens the cage door and calls the cat by name.	2	
The student scruffs the cat with one hand and lifts it up.	2	
The student cradles the cat's abdomen with their other hand and removes the cat from the cage.	2	
With the cat still scruffed, the student places the cat under one arm close to his or her body and closes the cage door with his or her free hand.	2	
The student places cat on table.	2	
The student selects a muzzle of appropriate size for the cat.	5	
The student places the cat in sitting or sternal position on exam table.	2	
The student positions the muzzle properly in his or her hands.	3	
The student approaches the cat from behind with the muzzle in both hands while another person restrains cat.	3	
The student brings the muzzle up to the cat's face in one swift motion.	4	
The student secures the muzzle.	3	
TOTAL POINTS	30	

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RESTRAINT OF THE CAT FOR JUGULAR VENIPUNCTURE

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student places the cat in sternal recumbency with its chest close to the edge of the table.	6	
The student controls and lifts the head up by placing thumb and forefingers over top of head, fingers firm on zygomatic arches (below eyes).	7	
The student's other hand grasps the front legs and extends them down off the edge of the table.	7	
The student uses arm and elbow to restrain the cat's body close to the student's body.	6	
The student speaks to the patient in a calm and affectionate manner during the procedure.	4	
TOTAL POINTS	30	

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APPLYING A GAUZE DOG MUZZLE

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student selects proper type of material and length.	4	
The student places the dog in sitting or sternal position on exam table or floor.	2	
The student makes a loop in the gauze and approaches the dog from behind.	6	
The student places the loop on the dog's face with the tie on top.	6	
The student quickly tightens the loop and then crosses the ends under the dog's face.	6	
The student brings the ends back behind the dog's head under the ears and ties in a quick-release bow.	6	
TOTAL POINTS	30	

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REMOVING DOG FROM FLOOR LEVEL CAGE TO RESTRAIN FOR LATERAL SAPHENOUS VENIPUNCTURE

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student places a leash in one hand with a large loop open in the correct position (in the "P") and ready to place over the dog's head.	2	
While blocking the opening, the student opens the cage door enough to slip the hand holding the leash into the cage.	2	
The student slips the leash over the neck of the dog and gently tightens the leash around the neck.	2	
The student opens the door and allows the dog to exit the cage.	1	
The student lifts the dog and places on the table.	1	
The student places his or her right arm across the dog's neck and reaches between the front legs to grasp the dog's right forelimb in right hand.	4	
The student places left arm over the dog's back and reaches for the dog's right rear limb, just proximal to the hock.	5	
With the dog's body close, the student gently lifts the limbs while allowing the dog's body to lay on the table; the dog should be on its right side.	5	
The student allows the dog to relax for a couple seconds, not releasing the grasp on the limbs.	3	
The student uses left hand to hold the limb tightly in the area just distal to the stifle, which will occlude the vein.	5	
TOTAL POINTS	30	

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RESTRAINT OF THE DOG FOR CEPHALIC VENIPUNCTURE

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student places a noose leash on the dog.	2	
The student restrains the dog in sternal recumbency.	5	
The student stands on the dog's right side, wrapping his or her right arm around the dog's neck.	5	
The student holds the dog's left forelimb with elbow in the palm of his or her hand and extend the limb forward toward the person performing the procedure.	6	
With the elbow of the dog in his or her palm, the student rotates his or her thumb up so it is on top of the limb at the bend of the elbow.	6	
The student occludes the vessel with the thumb and rotates the thumb laterally.	6	
TOTAL POINTS	30	

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HALTERING RUMINANTS

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
Without quick movements and loud noises, the student properly approaches the patient at a 45-degree angle to the patient's left shoulder.	5	
The student places crown piece of halter over ears, then slips nose through nosepiece.	6	
The student properly adjusts the halter such that the nose band crosses over bridge of nose halfway between the nostrils and eyes.	7	
The student ensures that the adjustable portion of the nose band is under the chin, not across the bridge of the nose.	6	
The student keeps the standing end or lead rope portion on the left side of the patient.	6	
TOTAL POINTS	30	

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PLACING A TAIL TIE

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student lays the rope over the tail at the tip of the tail bone.	6	
The student folds all the tail hairs up over the rope.	6	
The student passes the short end of the rope behind the tail, and makes a fold or bight in it.	6	
The student passes the fold or bight over the folded tail and under the rope, which is looped around the tail.	6	
The student pulls tight.	6	
TOTAL POINTS	30	

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SNARE RESTRAINT OF THE PIG

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student, standing next to the patient, guides the loop of the snare into the mouth and over the nose or upper jaw.	4	
The student makes sure the loop is inserted far enough into the patient's mouth.	5	
The student pulls the loop tight when it is in the proper position.	5	
The student keeps the loop tight while moving to the front of the patient.	5	
The student maintains the pressure on the snare so that the patient cannot escape.	5	
The student keeps control of the patient until the patient ceases to struggle.	4	
The student releases the patient after the procedure is completed	2	
TOTAL POINTS	30	