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## Inserting an Oropharyngeal Airway

Objective: To demonstrate how to insert an oropharyngeal airway.

| Skill   | Max Points | Skill Demo |  |
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| Criteria met: Determines the Scene is Safe, Initiates Standard Precautions, Introduces Self & Obtains Permission to treat/help  | -          |            |  |
| <b>Size:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hold the adjunct against the side of the patient's face with the flange adjacent to the corner of the patient's mouth.</li> <li>The tip of the adjunct should touch the angle of the jaw on the same side of the face.</li> <li>Alternatively, measure from the corner of the mouth to the earlobe on the same side of the face.</li> </ul>                 | 1          |            |  |
| <b>Insert:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open the patient's mouth using the cross-finger technique or push down on the chin.</li> <li>Insert the OPA, with the tip pointed up toward the roof of the mouth, until it is halfway into the mouth.</li> </ul>   | 1          |            |  |
| <b>Placement:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rotate the adjunct 180 degrees so the tip faces toward the patient's tongue.</li> <li>The tongue should now lie along the curve of the OPA, and the external flange should rest against the patient's lips.</li> <li>In children, the device is not rotated. The tip is pointed toward the tongue, not the roof of the mouth when inserted.</li> </ul> | 1          |            |  |

Must receive 3 out of 3 points.

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

Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

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