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Respiratory Care Essentials

Core Nursing Essentials Respiratory Care Essentials

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Study guide

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How to revise this category

1. Choose a topic and explain its purpose.
2. Identify the observations, equipment or information needed.
3. Connect the findings to documentation, reassessment and escalation.
4. Practise under qualified supervision and review the current local protocol.

Curriculum coverage

- Respiratory assessment
- Normal and abnormal breath sounds
- Oxygen delivery devices
- Pulse oximetry
- Hypoxia and hypoxemia
- Oxygen therapy
- Nebulization
- Chest physiotherapy
- Incentive spirometry
- Tracheostomy care
- Mechanical ventilation fundamentals
- Chest tube drainage
- Respiratory distress recognition

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