

### Nebulized Medication Administration

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

√	Performance Step(s)	Comment(s)
	Take BSI precautions.	
	Consult with medical control or follow local policies and procedures.	
	Assess the patient's ability to use the nebulizer.	<i>The patient should be conscious and oriented to the point to be able to assist with the administration of the medication.</i>
	Explain procedure to the patient.	<i>It is important to sometimes coach the patient through the process.</i>
	Reconfirm the 5 rights of drug administration.	<i>Right patient, drug, dose, route, time</i>
	Unscrew lid of nebulizer chamber.	
	Add medication as directed.	
	Reattach lid.	
	Fasten the T-tube to the nebulizer chamber.	
	Connect the mouth piece to one end of the T-tube and the flex tube to the other end.	
	Attach oxygen connecting tubing from nebulizer to the oxygen source. Adjust oxygen to 6 liters per minute. You should be able to see a mist coming out of both the flex tube and the mouthpiece.	
	Ask the patient to sit as upright as possible.	
	Ask the patient to hold the nebulizer in their hand and to place the mouthpiece firmly in their mouth. Lips should be sealed tightly around the mouthpiece. Ask them to breathe deep and slowly, through their mouth.	<i>It is important to direct the patient to take deep and slow breaths. This allows the medication to be absorbed. Fast quick breaths will not allow the medication to be absorbed.</i>
	At times it may be necessary to shake the chamber slightly to remove medication attached to the wall of the chamber.	
	Continue this treatment until the full amount of the medication is gone.	
	Document the procedure.	

