



Client's Name:

PHIN:

HOME CARE ATTENDANT ASSIGNMENT TASK PLAN – CLIENT SPECIFIC

Ear Drops

Important Points to Remember for this Client	
Examples:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • 	
Date: _____	Signature: _____

<p>PROBLEMS TO WATCH FOR AND REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Client is unable to remain lying down for 5 minutes after drops. • Client is unable to lie flat without C-Pap machine on.

Procedure – Assistance with Ear Drops	
1. Wash hands.	
2. Apply disposable gloves.	
3. Review Five Rights of Medication Assistance:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Right Person • Right Drug • Right Dose • Right Time • Right Route 	
4. Position client lying down with affected ear upward.	
5. Cleanse any visible dirt/wax/discharge from ear (do not use Q-Tips or Tweezers to remove any debris from ears, use a moist wash cloth and scoop with finger).	
6. Adult: Straighten ear canal – hold lobe upward and backward.	
7. Child: Straighten ear canal – hold lobe downward and backward.	
8. Drop prescribed number of drops into ear canal.	
9. Advise the client to remain in same position for 5 minutes.	
10. DO NOT place anything in client's ear (Ex Cotton Balls, Kleenex, etc.).	
11. Remove disposable gloves and discard.	
12. Wash hands.	
13. Document correctly on the Home Care Medication Assignment Record – Home Care Attendant	