



North Carolina State Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters Board

PRACTICUM SCORING GUIDELINES

	PROCEDURE EVALUATION Item Description	Points Available
1.	Cleanse hands before beginning procedure; Clean speculum before inserting in models' ear	2
2.	Clean earlight tip before inserting in models' ear	2
3.	Clean impression syringe/gun tip before inserting in models' ear	2
4.	Begin to instruct the model before performing the otoscopic exam	2
5.	Perform a pre-impression otoscopic exam *	5
6.	Appropriately support model's head during the otoscopic exam	4
7.	Appropriately support the model's head while inserting the otoblock/cotton block in the model's ear	4
8.	Perform an otoscopic exam after inserting the otoblock/cotton block in the model's ear *	5
9.	Appropriately support the model's head while inserting the impression material	4
10.	Visibly determine the readiness on the impression material to be removed (May be done off-camera)	2
11.	Begin instructing the model <u>before</u> removing the impression material from the ear	2
12.	Break the seal between the impression material and the outer ear <u>before</u> removing the impression and otoblock/cotton block *	5
13.	Perform a post-impression otoscopic exam *	5
14.	Appropriately support model's head during the post-impression otoscopic exam	4
15.	Verbally evaluate the ear impression for accuracy	2

	PRODUCT EVALUATION Item Description	Points Available
1.	Otoblock is flush with the material at the medial end of the impression (at the canal end)	5
2.	Otoblock is approximately the same diameter as the medial end of the impression	5
3.	Impression material has not seeped around the otoblock	3
4.	Impression material is not runny & excessive material is not present in the inferior region of the lateral surface of the impression	2
5.	Impression is smooth, dry and not oily	2
6.	Canal impression clearly shows the beginning of the 2 nd bend	5
7.	Helix, concha and tragus are adequately defined	3
8.	No evidence of weld marks caused by improper material preparation or by failing to keep the tip of the syringe/gun in the material	2
9.	Candidate accurately evaluates the ear impression product	3

SUMMARY OF SCORING	
Procedure Total Points Possible	50
At least 70% of points required for PROCEDURE = 35/50	
Product total points possible	30
At least 70% of points required for PRODUCT = 21/30	
* Automatic failure for safety issues if applicant is stopped during exam.	

Please note: Applicants are required to wear gloves and observe universal precautions during exam.