

SKILL GUIDE 9-3**Skill Guide**

Date: _____

(CPI) = Critical Performance Indicator

Candidate: _____

Start Time: _____

End Time: _____

Inserting an Oropharyngeal Airway (OPA)**Objective:** To measure and insert an oral airway into an adult.

Skill	Max Points	Skill Demo	
Initiate Standard Precautions.	1		(CPI)
Hold the adjunct against the side of the face with the flange adjacent to the corner of the patient's mouth. Size the airway by measuring from the patient's earlobe to the corner of the mouth or from the corner of the mouth to the angle of the jaw.	1		(CPI)
Open the patient's mouth with the cross-finger technique. Hold the airway upside down with your other hand. Insert the airway with the tip facing the roof of the mouth and slide it in until it is half way into the mouth.	1		(CPI)
Rotate the airway 180°. Insert the airway until the flange rests on the patient's lips.	1		(CPI)

Must receive 4 out of 4 points.

Comments: _____

Failure of any of the CPIs is an automatic failure.

Evaluator: _____ NSP ID: _____

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