



## **Clinical and Procedural Skills Station 1**

**9 minutes with up to 1 minute for feedback**

**You are an A&E SHO and have been asked to see this patient who has sustained a laceration on their arm. A nurse has kindly cleaned the wound and administered local anaesthetic into the wound. The patient has been consented for the procedure. Please proceed to close the wound with a non-absorbable suture, using interrupted simple sutures.**

## Suturing Skills Station

**Ensures local anaesthetic is working before inserting first suture**

**Closes the wound with an appropriate number of interrupted sutures.**

**Uses correct suture material and handles equipment proficiently**

**Uses good communication skills throughout the procedure**

**What advice will you give the patient after the procedure?**

- Keep wound dry for 48 hours
- Use simple analgesia as pain may return once local has worn off
- Will need to look out for signs of infection
- Should attend GP surgery to have sutures removed after 7-10 days

**How do you classify sutures?**

- synthetic vs natural
- mono-filament vs multifilament
- absorbable vs non-absorbable

**Using these terms, what types of suture material are vicryl and prolene?**

- Vicryl (polyglactin): synthetic, absorbably multifilament
- Prolene (polypropylene): synthetic, non-absorbable monofilament

**Overall impression of the candidate Please encircle your mark**

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