

OSCE Code 7457-350 Nursing Care 12 (IM injection 3) for Unit 311

This station covers the following RCVS Day One Skills: 1.1, 3.6, 4.9, 7.2, 7.3, 8.3

This OSCE will be used to assess the awards indicated

Award	Award Reference	Pathway
7457 – Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing	600/6052/6	Small Animal
7457 – Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing	600/6052/9	Equine

Scenario

Poppy, a Shetland pony foal, has a wire wound injury to her left hind limb. She is to have antibiotic cover of [trade name].

- a. Using the dose rate x mg/kg, calculate the correct dose of [trade name] to be given to this patient
- b. Prepare an appropriate needle and syringe and draw up the correct dose of [trade name] injection.
- c. Using the prepared syringe, administer the injection into the gluteal muscle. Record the administration of the medication on the hospital chart provided.

Show all your workings including units

Meth	Methodology: You will be expected to:		
1.	Using an appropriate methodology, correctly calculated the dose		
2.	Correct units of measurement given for final answer		
3.	Select correct [trade name] vial		
4.	Check expiry date and date of first opening		
5.	Select appropriate syringe		
6.	Select appropriate gauge needle		
7.	Select spirit and swab/cotton wool		
8.	Assemble syringe and needle using an aseptic technique		
9.	Swab top of vial		
10.	Shake the vial to re-suspend the drug		
11.	Introduce needle to vial aseptically		
12.	Draw back correct volume of drug required		
13.	Withdraw needle from vial		
14.	Change needle and dispose of appropriately		
15.	Needle either not resheathed OR resheathed using safe technique (for instruction B)		
16.	Ensure foal is restrained effectively		
17.	Select an appropriate injection site		
18.	Introduce the needle at right angles to the skin		
19.	Draw back slightly on plunger to check for venepuncture		
20.	Inject drug slowly		
21.	Withdraw needle from the patient		
22.	Massage injection site gently		
23.	Dispose of used needle in the medicinal sharps bin		
24.	Dispose of syringe in appropriate container		
25.	Needle not resheathed (For instruction C)		
26.	Record administration of medication fully on hospital sheet		
27.	Demonstrate safe, effective and aseptic technique		