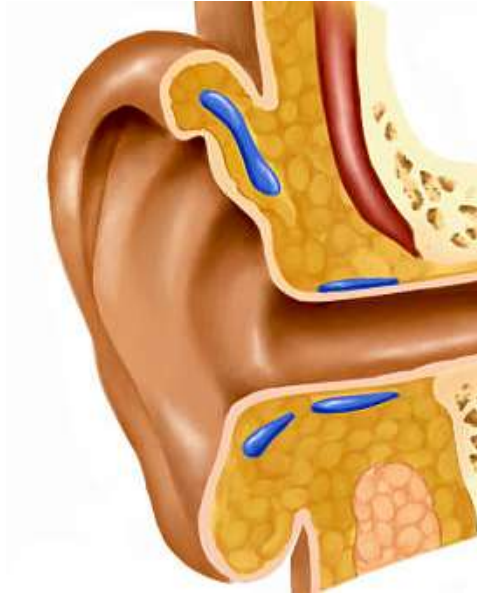




ENT - Ear Cleaning



Everyone's ears make wax to trap dust & germs and protect the inside parts of ears. But sometimes an ear makes too much wax, and that can make it hard to hear or feel itchy or uncomfortable. Your doctor has decided to clean your ears to get some extra wax out.



When it is time to clean your ears, a medical assistant will bring you and your grownup to room 8. Room 8 has all the supplies the doctor needs to clean your ears.



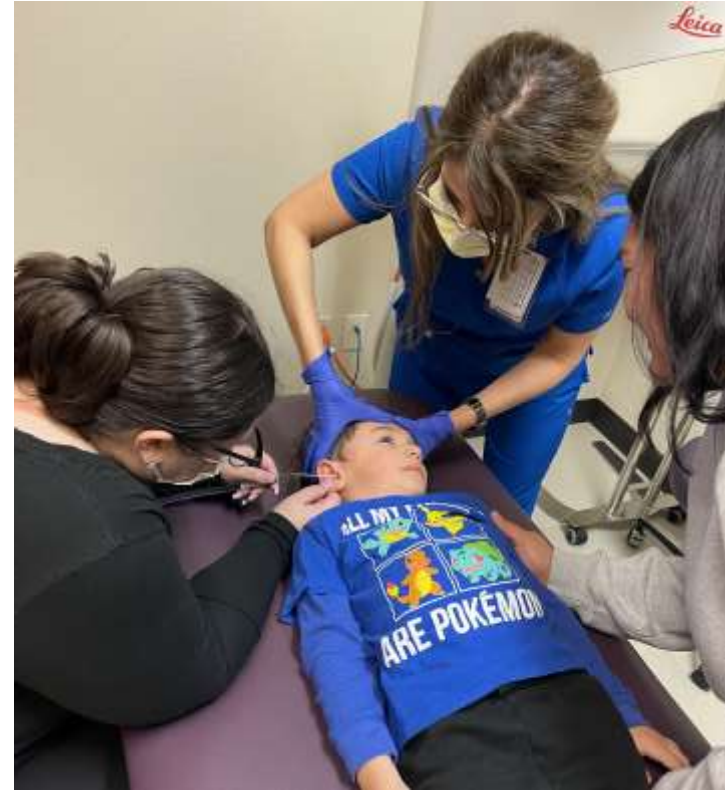
You will lay down on the soft exam table. Your grownup can stay with you the whole time.



The black and white tool you see above you is a microscope. When the doctor looks through it, it makes your ear look bigger and brighter so the doctor can see the inside of your ear really, really well. The microscope will not touch your ear.



There are two different ways the doctor may clean your ears. The first way is with a small skinny tube that sucks wax out. The tube makes a whistling noise while it is doing its job.



The second way to clean your ears is with a curette. A curette is a skinny tool that has a small loop on the end. It helps to scoop pieces of ear wax out of your ears.



The doctor will know which is the best way to get extra wax out of your ears.

Your job is to hold still. A medical assistant will put their hands on your head to help you. Your grownup can stay with you the whole time and may even want to give you a hug!



While the doctor is cleaning your ears, you can squeeze your grownup's hand, listen to music, or watch something on your grownup's phone.



Make sure to tell the doctor if you want to take a little break.

You will be finished when the doctor has cleaned all the extra ear wax out of your ears.



Way to go - you did it!