

Hearing Monitoring

Patient Label

Hearing and balance should be evaluated for all clients receiving ototoxic drugs (amikacin, capreomycin, streptomycin). If a client starts medications prior to the local health district becoming aware of the client, without baseline screening, screening should occur before continued treatment is provided by the health district. Continue monthly hearing and balance exams while the client is taking these medications. To document final auditory status, perform the last screening when these medications are discontinued. The goal of monthly hearing and balance screening is to capture any changes and notify the treating clinician immediately.

Auditory – assessed using an audiometer

Vestibular – assessed through observation of gait, heel to toe walking, and Romberg (observe balance when feet are together, arms down, and eyes closed)

Date ----- Initials	V if able to hear frequency			Indicate a response for each assessment			Comments
	Audiometry			Gait	Walking	Romberg	
	____ db	Right Ear	Left Ear				
	500 hz			<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> Weaves <input type="checkbox"/> Staggers	<input type="checkbox"/> Does well <input type="checkbox"/> Jerky <input type="checkbox"/> Hesitates <input type="checkbox"/> Sways	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of balance	
	1000 hz						
	2000 hz						
	4000 hz						
	6000 hz						
	8000 hz						
	500 hz			<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> Weaves <input type="checkbox"/> Staggers	<input type="checkbox"/> Does well <input type="checkbox"/> Jerky <input type="checkbox"/> Hesitates <input type="checkbox"/> Sways	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of balance	
	1000 hz						
	2000 hz						
	4000 hz						
	6000 hz						
	8000 hz						
	500 hz			<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> Weaves <input type="checkbox"/> Staggers	<input type="checkbox"/> Does well <input type="checkbox"/> Jerky <input type="checkbox"/> Hesitates <input type="checkbox"/> Sways	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of balance	
	1000 hz						
	2000 hz						
	4000 hz						
	6000 hz						
	8000 hz						
	500 hz			<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> Weaves <input type="checkbox"/> Staggers	<input type="checkbox"/> Does well <input type="checkbox"/> Jerky <input type="checkbox"/> Hesitates <input type="checkbox"/> Sways	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of balance	
	1000 hz						
	2000 hz						
	4000 hz						
	6000 hz						
	8000 hz						
	500 hz			<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> Weaves <input type="checkbox"/> Staggers	<input type="checkbox"/> Does well <input type="checkbox"/> Jerky <input type="checkbox"/> Hesitates <input type="checkbox"/> Sways	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of balance	
	1000 hz						
	2000 hz						
	4000 hz						
	6000 hz						
	8000 hz						