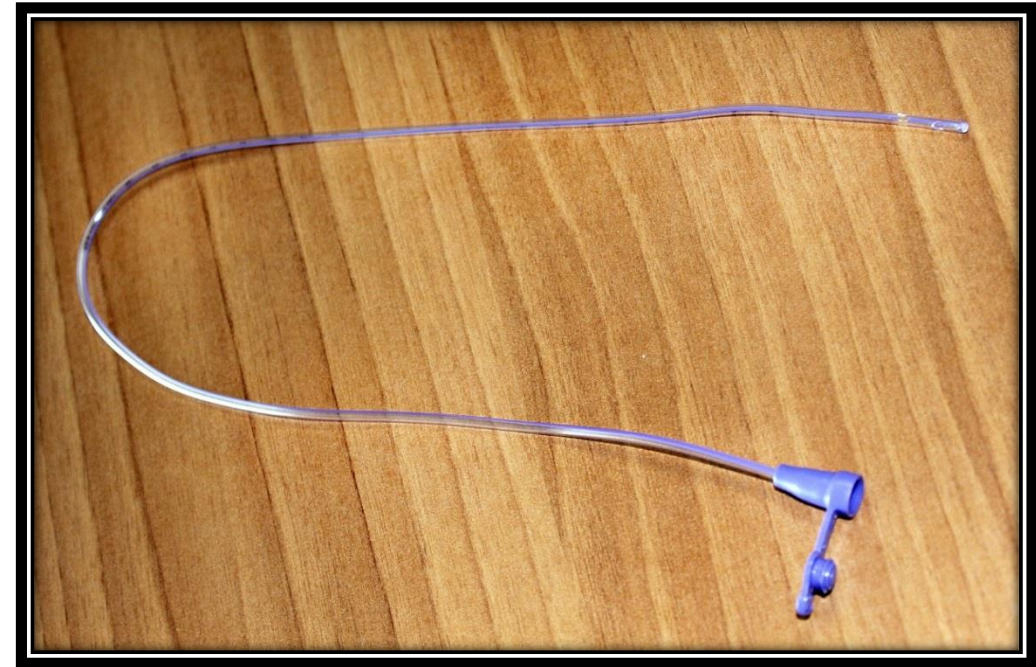


NG Tube





I am getting an **NG tube**.

An **NG tube** is a small bendy tube that will go into my nose and down to my stomach.

This bendy tube will give my body special medicine and other things my body needs while I am in the hospital.



For my **NG tube** I can choose to sit in someone's lap or by myself.

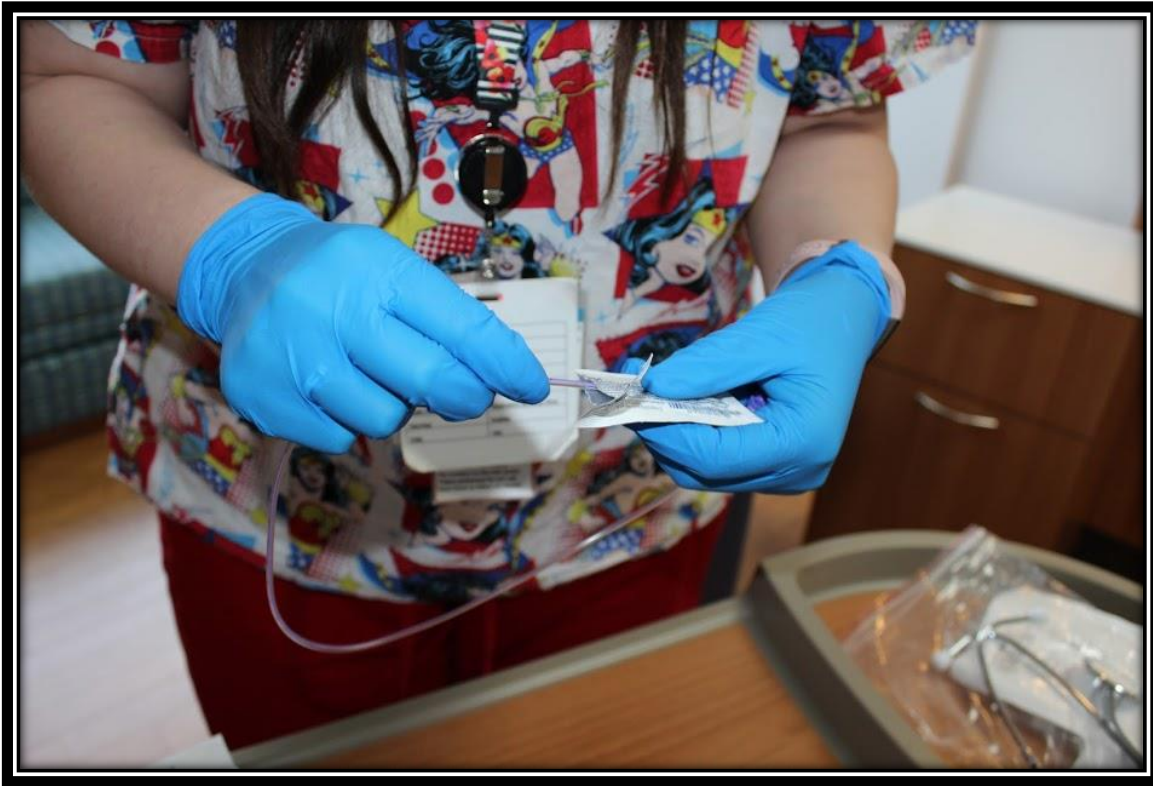
My big job is to keep my head and body very still while I get my **NG tube**.
If I have a hard time staying still by myself someone can help hold my head to remind me to stay still.



First the nurse will measure from my nose to my ear using the bendy tube.



The nurse will then measure from my ear to my sternum.
My sternum is below my chest and above my belly button.



The nurse will then put a clear jelly on the end of the bendy tube.
This gel helps the tube slide into my nose easier.



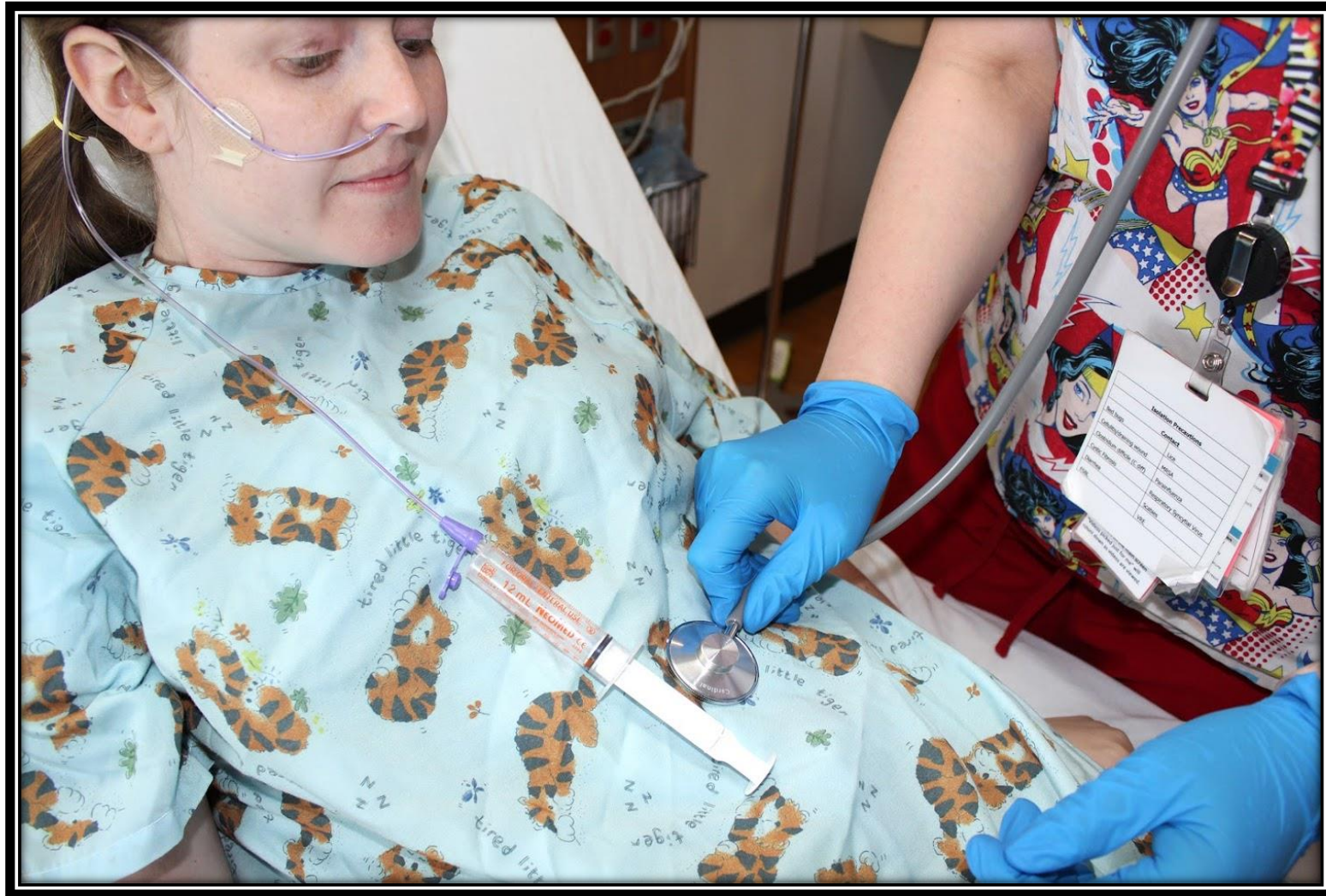
I am now ready for my **NG tube**.

The nurse will start to slide the tube into my nose.

This may tickle my nose and throat.

The tickle may make me cough.

That's ok! I can help the tube go to the right place faster by swallowing, like when I drink my favorite drink.



Once the tube is in, the nurse will use a stethoscope to listen to my stomach. This helps the nurse know that the tube is in the right place.



The nurse will then use tape and band aids to keep the tube in place until I do not need it anymore.

All done



I am all done.

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