2.2: Finding the Error Activity- Tympanic Temperature – Feedback

An incorrect technique is being demonstrated in Figure 2.9 because the helix is not being pulled up and back. For an adult/older child, the correct technique (Figure 2.10) involves gently pulling the helix up and back so that the ear canal is visualized and the light can reflect off of the tympanic membrane.
Incorrect technique of taking tympanic temperature

Figure 2.9: Incorrect technique

Correct technique of taking tympanic temperature

For an adult/older child, gently pull the helix up and back while stabilizing the client’s head with your hand.
Figure 2.10: Correct technique