

## Elements of Health and Medicine:

Half of the EHM students completed Unit 1 in Medical Interventions. They have become experts in Disease Spread and Prevention and Auditory Side Effects of Infections. An audiologist visited, and the students knew the answers to most of the questions she posed (see image below.) Next up was studying Antibiotic Resistance and its consequences as well as Vaccinations and how they are made, both very hot topics currently.



*Dr. Tracey Irene demonstrates how to use an otoscope and what the tympanic membrane looks like on her computer!*

Half of the EHM students completed their CNA class and are in the process of taking their exams for certification.

The two groups have switched roles with the CNA students beginning Medical Interventions and the Medical Interventions group beginning their CNA class.

Over the last couple weeks, the entire EHM class has enjoyed the privilege of meeting with guest speakers. Dr. Wren talked with them about his pathway to the Doctorate of Nursing Practice degree. Because we have a diverse set of career interests in the class, he touched on the medical versus nursing models of practice.

A highlight for many students included meeting with Jaana, an educator of health science from Finland! There was a very lively discussion about medical career pathways in Finland as well as an opportunity to explain how pathways exist in the United States. Each was genuinely curious about the other! Students loved that they not only learned about medical education in Finland, but also that they were able to ask questions and speak comfortably about her interests outside of her career in Finland and from her experience with her visit to the USA! Somehow geography, population demographics, food and monetary systems rounded out the conversation. Jaana was receptive to all questions and a wonderful speaker to host!