

## OTOCLEAR<sup>®</sup> TIP - USER INSTRUCTIONS

### How to use

The BIONIX<sup>®</sup> OtoClear<sup>®</sup> Tip was designed to make ear irrigation safer, quicker and more effective. These instructions are written in order to help you, and therefore, your patients, get the greatest benefit possible from the irrigation procedure.

### Before You Begin:

Examine the ear canal and tympanic membrane with an otoscope noting the type and location of any cerumen. Hard or impacted wax may require a cerumenolytic agent.

**CAUTION: DO NOT** perform irrigation if the tympanic membrane is perforated or if tympanostomy tubes are present. Discontinue irrigation immediately if bleeding, irritation or other trauma to the ear canal or tympanic membrane occurs.

- Step 1 Grasp the OtoClear tip and twist onto the luer lock fitting of the delivery device until it stops.
- Step 2 Fill the water reservoir of the delivery device with warm water (approximate body temperature). **DO NOT** use cold or hot water as it may cause dizziness in some patients.
- Step 3 Prime the unit by discharging into a sink.
- Step 4 Insert OtoClear tip fully into the ear canal. The flared design of the OtoClear tip protects against over-insertion. Tip: Fully inserting OtoClear Tip will help eliminate backsplash.
- Step 5 Place a basin beneath the outer ear to capture draining effluent.  
Note: The OtoClear tip directs the water toward the walls of the ear canal creating a turbulent lavage that effectively dislodges the cerumen. The exit portals control backsplash and deliver the effluent into the basin.
- Step 6 Reexamine the ear canal. Repeat the irrigation procedure as needed. Sometimes a large plug of wax will not exit through the portal.
- Step 7 Remove any remaining water in the ear canal with an absorbent sponge.  
When procedure is complete, remove and dispose of the single-use OtoClear tip.

**WARNINGS:** Consult your physician before use if you have any ear conditions.