Suturing – Beyond the Basics

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Objectives

- 1. The participant will be able to discuss the principles and management of more complex wound repair.
- 2. The participant will be able to explain several methods to perform digital blocks anesthesia, including pharmacology considerations and possible complications.
- 3. The participant will be able to demonstrate several advanced suturing techniques

Outline

- Charting essentials
- Equipment
 - Syringes
 - Topical anesthetics
 - Long acting agents
- General principles of correct injection
 - Positioning
 - Aspiration
- Field Anesthesia Techniques
 - Forehead Anesthesia
 - Field blocks
 - Ear blocks
- Special considerations
 - Through and through lacerations in the mouth
 - Dog bite lacerations
 - Nail bed lacerations

- Suturing Techniques
 - Vertical mattress
 - Horizontal mattress
 - Corner stitch
 - Buried knot
 - Simple continuous
 - Running
- Nail bed lacerations
 - Nail bed removal
 - Nail bed suturing
- Special considerations
 - Dog bite lacerations
 - Through and through lacerations of mouth
- After care
 - Suture or staple removal
 - Wound care