Having a Cannula put in

First, the nurse or doctor will put soap on their hands.

They will wash their hands.

They will dry their hands with paper towels.

They will rub alcohol gel into their hands.
The doctor or nurse will get a tray. They will get all the equipment they will need.

Cream will be put on the back of your hand or inside your arm. The cream will stop the needle hurting you.

A clear plaster will be put over the cream. The plaster will stop the cream coming off.

The cream will take 45 minutes to work. You will have to wait 45 minutes.
The clear plaster will be taken off. The cream will be wiped off.

A band will be put around your arm. The band will be tight. This is will not hurt. The needle will be put into your skin in the same place the cream was.

The needle is taken out and a plastic tube left in the skin. This is called a cannula. A plaster is put over the top to keep the tube in place.
A bandage is wrapped around to stop your hand being knocked. Liquid medicines can now be put into the **cannula**.

Everything is now finished.