

ESSENTIAL SKILLS ACTIVITY AND ASSIGNMENT CHECKLIST

ABG SAMPLE EXTRACTION

Name of Student: _____

Date of Evaluation: _____

Name of Evaluator: _____

A student will be given a grade of “pass” if they are able to satisfactorily perform at least 95% of the listed guide points for the procedure.

Steps	Excellent	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement
Checked name of patient, explained procedure and secured consent (verbal consent at least)			
Prepared materials required for the procedure			
Observed standard aseptic techniques (preferably hand washing prior to procedure but alcohol at bedside may suffice)			
Positioned patient and light source (if needed)			
Palpated area and identified radial artery			
Site cleaned with antiseptic solution			
Applied local anesthesia (may forego this step; if done should be adequately explained to patient)			
Located point of maximal impulse using index and middle finger of non-dominant hand			
Inserted syringe with bevel up at 5 to 30 degree angle (aimed away from the hand and towards the upper arm)			
Inserted needle towards palpating fingers until needle/syringe fills up passively with blood			
Drew enough blood (1 to 2 cc)			
Removed the needle/syringe			
Applied pressure over puncture site and dressed site appropriately after			
Discarded sharps properly			
Labeled samples properly			
Placed sample in ice for transport			
Endorsed samples (to nurse/med tech/lab tech) properly			

Over-all Performance of Procedure: (please check 1) ___ Pass ___ Fail

Comments: _____

After feedback is done:

Signature of Evaluator

Signature of Student