

ESSENTIAL SKILLS ACTIVITY AND ASSIGNMENT CHECKLIST

IV CANNULATION

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)			
Tied tourniquet approximately 8 to 10 cm above the targeted insertion site			
Palpated and identified vein to be cannulated			
Site cleaned with antiseptic solution (Do not re-palpate once antiseptic solution is applied)			
Maintained a firm grip on extremity and kept vein stabilized (depending on site maybe done by keeping the skin taut by applying traction near the area or keeping the hand flexed)			
Inserted catheter with needle bevel up at 5 to 30 degree angle			
Checked for initial backflow/flashback of blood into the catheter			
Once the needle and plastic cannula is in the vein, lowered the catheter to an angle almost parallel of the skin			
Stabilized needle and carefully advanced catheter into the vein			
Removed the tourniquet			
Applied pressure distal to the catheter then removed metal needle			
Checked patency by flushing			
Secured the cannula			
Discarded sharps properly			

Over-all Performance of Procedure: (please check 1) ___Pass ___Fail

Comments: _____

After feedback is done:

Signature of Evaluator

Signature of Student