

Transcutaneous Cardiac Pacing Skill Documentation Form

Candidate (Print):	 Date:

Examiner (Instructor or Licensed Provider):

Examiner Signature: _____

Pass_____ Fail _____

Task:	Correct	Incorrect
Identifies unstable bradycardia		
Attaches ECG and provides continuous EGC monitoring		
Check expiration date of pads and connect to monitor		
If the patient is alert, verbalizes explaining procedure to patient.		
If patient is alert, considers sedation		
Assures proper preoxygenation of the patient		
Establish large bore IV access, above the level of the diaphragm		
Apply pads on patient (per manufacturer recommendations), dry patient if wet, shave if necessary due to extensive hair on chest.		
Verifies pacing cable attached to pads and monitor correctly		
Turns on pacing function and observes ECG monitor screen to verify proper sensing of ORS		
Set initial pacing rate at 60 per minute		
Gradually increases amount of current until capture is confirmed		
Once electrical capture is apparent, confirm mechanical capture present		
 Verbalizes reassessment of patient's vital signs and general response to the procedure If patient not hemodynamically stable, increase rate or provide supportive intervention 		
Verbalizes documentation of time, rate, current, patient response.		

Critical Failure Criteria		
	Failure to preoxygenate the patient	
	Failure to ensure proper placement of pads and good contact between pad and patient	
	Failure to deliver correct rate and energy	
	Assess patient and ECG rhythm before therapy	
	Uses inappropriate affect with patient or examiner	
	Uses or orders a dangerous or inappropriate intervention	

NOTE: You must factually document any "incorrect" or critical failure criteria on back of this form