

Competency Validation

Assisting with PICC Insertion: Sterile Prep and Field Establishment/Maintenance



Name/Title: _____ Unit _____

Competency Statement: Demonstrates the knowledge and skills necessary assist with prep of procedure arm and establishment and maintenance of maximum barrier precaution sterile field.

Instructional Strategies:

1. Attend 1 hour inservice and demonstration presented by Educator or Educator’s delegate(s), with return demonstration by attendee
2. Annual competency review.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	Assessment/ Evaluation (refer to key)	Initials of Validator
1. Assesses pt. mobility, mentation and comprehension status to determine pt. ability to assist.		
2. Assists PICC RN to stock sterile procedure table with sterile supplies, maintaining sterile technique (e.g. no slide contamination).		
3. Dons sterile gloves maintaining sterile technique.		
4. Receives one small sterile drape from PICC RN and places under patient arm, maintaining sterile technique. Obtains assist of 3 rd person prn for arm holding assistance.		
5. Preps upper arm with chlorhexidine and isopropyl alcohol based antiseptic following instructions for use, keeping target procedure area and fenestration size in mind. (May use isopropyl alcohol followed by 10% povidone iodine if patient sensitive/allergic to chlorhexidine.)		
6. Allows to air dry following instructions for use.		
7. Removes small underdrape while patient’s arm remains elevated.		
8. Receives small underdrape from PICC kit from PICC RN and places under patient arm, maintaining sterility of drape while noting the corners where held by assistant no longer sterile.		
9. Assists with application of head-toe maximum barrier precautions, maintaining sterile technique.		
10. Assists with completing sterile procedure area, ultrasound probe and other equipment cover, etc.		
11. Assists in maintaining sterile procedure and field during procedure.		
12. Identifies and assists with making necessary appropriate correction.		
13. Assists with application and use of tip location device following instructions for use.		
14. Assists with communication in clear manner with patient about procedure, as needed.		

Note: Initials indicate employee can independently perform and/or successfully meet the criteria listed.

Assessment/Evaluation: (Key)			
CAI	Computer assisted instruction	PA	Performance appraisal
DOC	Documentation	RD	Return demonstration
I	Interview	RS	Restate
OBS	Observation	T	Pre/post test
O	Other		

Date: _____ Met _____ Not met _____

Validator’s Signature Initials Employee’s signature

Remediation Action Plan (must identify target date):
