

Performance Checklist (PCL)

Clinical Skill: **Patient Assessment (Trauma)**

Circle One: **Initial Evaluation**

Re-Evaluation

Command:

A. INTRODUCTION

Upon successful completion of this performance checklist, a Hospital Corpsmen (HM) assigned to Budget Submitting Office (BSO) 18 Patient Care Facility or Reserve command will be able to perform primary and secondary assessments in the pre-hospital setting on a live and/or simulated patient.

B. EQUIPMENT LIST: The primary evaluator is responsible for checking all of the equipment listed below is available and functional prior to the evaluation:

1. Live and/or simulated patient
2. Pen light
3. Blanket
4. Black ink pens
5. Stethoscope
6. Cervical collar
7. Spine board
8. Tourniquets
9. Pressure dressings
10. Kerlex
11. Suction
12. Oral pharyngeal airway
13. Nasal pharyngeal airway
14. Oxygen cylinder
15. Non-rebreather mask

C. REFERENCES

1. Emergency Care. – 13th Edition, Daniel Limmer, Michael F. O’Keefe; medical editor, Edward T. Dickinson; legacy authors, Harvey D. Grant, Robert H. Murray, Jr., J. David Bergeron.
2. Hospital Corpsman Skills Basic, BUMED INSTRUCTION 1510.23 (series)

D. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

1. Evaluators, evaluatees and visitors must comply with all general safety procedures that are posted.
2. Evaluatees may not take equipment out of the lab.
3. Evaluatees will follow universal precautions and wear proper BSI.

E. JOB STEPS

Evaluatee Instructions:

PERFORMANCE CHECKLIST (PCL)
PATIENT ASSESSMENT (TRAUMA)

1. The purpose of this performance checklist is to evaluate the HM’s ability to perform primary and secondary assessments in the pre-hospital setting on a live and/or simulated patient.
2. The evaluatee must attempt to perform each step and may be required to answer clarification questions from the evaluator.
3. The evaluatee is not allowed to use the reference during the evaluation of this performance checklist.

Evaluator Instructions:

1. Evaluate one HM at a time.
2. Study the performance checklist and become proficient in using the rubric.
3. Before starting the evaluation, answer evaluatee’s questions and make sure they understand what they are supposed to do. Once readiness has been established, evaluate the HM’s performance using the rubric and checklist provided below.

F. STANDARD

SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE: The evaluatee must achieve a minimum passing score of 70% (48 points) of all parts, with no critical (*) items missed.

UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE: Failure to achieve a minimum passing grade of 70% (48 points). Evaluatee who demonstrate unsatisfactory performance will be remediated and/or counseled IAW Reference 2.

G. DIRECTIONS FOR SCORING

Evaluators will use the “Maximum Points Performance” description to determine if the evaluatee has successfully demonstrated the “Event” listed in the rubric below and should receive 2 points. Evaluatees that require prompting may receive a partial point score of 1 point if the event is not a “Critical” event. The “Partial Points” column will be blacked out on the rubric for all “Critical” events, these events are annotated with an asterisk on the checklist. For non-critical events, the evaluatee will receive 0 points if they do not successfully complete the event after evaluator prompting.

Rubric

Event	Max Points	Maximum Points Performance	Partial Points	Partial Points Performance	Failing Points
PERFORM SCENE SIZE UP					
Don body substance isolation	2	Don body substance isolation		Critical	0

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Event	Max Points	Maximum Points Performance	Partial Points	Partial Points Performance	Failing Points
Scene/situation safety	2	Determine if the scene is safe		Critical	0
Mechanism of injury/nature of illness	2	Determine the mechanism of injury and consider C-spine precautions		Critical	0
Number of patients	2	Determine the number of patients		Critical	0
Request for additional resources	2	Request for additional resources, as needed e.g. Request for, “fire fighters, security, additional medical teams, oxygen, stretcher bearers, advanced cardiac life support, medical evacuation, etc.”		Critical	0
PERFORM PRIMARY ASSESSMENT					
Form a general impression of the patient	2	Form a general impression of the patient and verbalize, looking for massive hemorrhage, if the patient appears lifeless (not breathing or ineffective, agonal or gasping breaths) or has signs of life (responsiveness or breathing)	1	Prompt required	0
Treat immediate life threats	2	Treat immediate life threats		Critical	0
Determine the level of consciousness of the patient using AVPU	2	Determine the level of consciousness of the patient using AVPU the patient is alert and oriented to person, place or time, patient responds to verbal stimuli, painful stimuli or is unresponsive	1	Prompt required	0
Perform manual stabilization	2	Perform manual stabilization of the head and neck, as indicated		Critical	0

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Event	Max Points	Maximum Points Performance	Partial Points	Partial Points Performance	Failing Points
Assess airway	2	Assess the airway using the look, listen and feel method. If the patient's airway is not open, open the airway using the head-tilt and chin-lift or jaw thrust maneuver, taking the mechanism of injury into consideration. Maintain airway, suction and place airway adjunct, as needed		Critical	0
Assess breathing	2	Assess breathing using the look, listen and feel method. Determine if respirations are adequate observing rate, rhythm, quality and depth		Critical	0
Assess circulation	2	Assess circulation, by checking for a carotid or radial pulse (determined within normal limits, slow or fast), bleeding, skin color, temperature and condition		Critical	0
Apply cervical collar	2	Apply cervical collar for patients with or suspected head, neck, or spine injuries		Critical	0
Assess posterior with logroll	2	Assess patients posterior utilizing a logroll, assessing for hemorrhage, exit wounds, step-off		Critical	0
Place on spine board	2	Log roll the patient onto the spine board (for non-ambulatory patients)	1	Prompt required	0
Determine patient transport priority	2	Determine the patients transport priority (Load and go or stay and play)	1	Prompt required	0
Reassess ABCs and interventions	2	Reassess airway, breathing, circulation and all interventions		Critical	0
PERFORM SECONDARY ASSESSMENT NON-SIGNIFICANT INJURIES					
History of present illness	2	Obtain the patient's history of present illness using the mnemonics SAMPLE and OPQRST	1	Prompt required	0

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Event	Max Points	Maximum Points Performance	Partial Points	Partial Points Performance	Failing Points
Perform a focused examination	2	Perform a focused examination according to the scenario given. Inspect, auscultate, and palpate using DCAP BTLS	1	Prompt required	0
Obtain vital signs	2	Obtain vital signs: respirations, pulse, skin, pupils, blood pressure, and oxygen saturation		Critical	0
Obtain past medical history	2	Obtain the patient's past medical history using the mnemonic SAMPLE	1	Prompt required	0
Apply C-Collar	2	Apply C-Collar, if not done previously and either complaint, history, or MOI indicate, perform	1	Prompt required	0
Perform interventions	2	Make all appropriate interventions based upon patient complaint, history and physical examination		Critical	0
Transport appropriately	2	Transport appropriately, if not previously performed	1	Prompt required	0
PERFORM SECONDARY ASSESSMENT SIGNIFICANT INJURIES					
Obtain HPI and rapidly determine what happened	2	Obtain history of present illness and rapidly determine what happened to the patient	1	Prompt required	0
Perform a rapid trauma assessment	2	Perform a rapid trauma assessment according to the scenario given. Inspect, auscultate, and palpate using DCAP BTLS		Critical	0
Obtain vital signs	2	Obtain vital signs: respirations, pulse, skin, pupils, blood pressure, and oxygen saturation		Critical	0
Obtain past medical history	2	Obtain the patient's past medical history from patient or bystanders using the mnemonic SAMPLE	1	Prompt required	0
Apply C-Collar	2	Apply C-Collar, if not done previously and either complaint, history, or as MOI indicates		Critical	0
Perform interventions	2	Perform interventions		Critical	0
Transport appropriately	2	Transport appropriately	1	Prompt required	0

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Event	Max Points	Maximum Points Performance	Partial Points	Partial Points Performance	Failing Points
Perform a detailed physical examination	2	Perform a detailed physical examination	1	Prompt required	0
PERFORM REASSESSMENT					
Perform reassessment	2	Repeat the primary assessment, pertinent parts of the secondary assessment, vital signs, and interventions, as needed		Critical	0
Present the findings and interventions to the evaluator	2	Present the findings and interventions of the assessment to the evaluator	1	Prompt required	0

PERFORMANCE CHECKLIST (PCL)
PATIENT ASSESSMENT (TRAUMA)

Evalued: _____ Evaluator: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Actual Time Started: _____

Possible
Points Points
Awarded

PERFORM SCENE SIZE-UP		
*Don body substance isolation	2	
*Determine if scene is safe	2	
*Determine the mechanism of injury and consider need for spinal stabilization	2	
*Determine the number of patients	2	
*Request for additional resources, as needed	2	
SUBTOTAL	10	
PERFORM PRIMARY ASSESSMENT		
Form a general impression	2	
*Treat immediate life threats	2	
Determine level of consciousness using AVPU	2	
*Provide manual stabilization, if indicated	2	
*Assess and maintain airway	2	
*Assess breathing	2	
*Assess circulation	2	
*Apply cervical collar, if indicated	2	
*Assess posterior with logroll	2	
Place on spine board	2	
Determine patients transport priority	2	
*Reassess ABCs and interventions	2	
SUBTOTAL	24	
PERFORM SECONDARY ASSESSMENT NON-SIGNIFICANT INJURIES		
Obtain the patient's history of present illness	2	
Perform focused physical examination	2	
*Obtain vital signs	2	
Obtain the patient's past medical history	2	
Apply C-Collar, if indicated	2	
*Perform interventions	2	
Transport appropriately	2	
SUBTOTAL	14	
PERFORM SECONDARY ASSESSMENT SIGNIFICANT INJURIES		
Obtain patient's history of present illness and rapidly determine what happened	2	
*Perform rapid trauma assessment	2	
*Obtain vital signs	2	
Obtain patient's past medical history	2	

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*Apply C-Collar, if indicated	2	
*Perform interventions	2	
Transport appropriately	2	
Perform a detailed physical examination	2	
SUBTOTAL	16	
PERFORM REASSESSMENT		
*Perform reassessment	2	
Present findings and interventions to the evaluator	2	
SUBTOTAL	4	

PERFORMANCE CHECKLIST TOTAL SCORE	Possible Points	Points Awarded
PERFORM SCENE SIZE-UP	10	
PERFORM PRIMARY ASSESSMENT	24	
PERFORM SECONDARY ASSESSMENT NON-SIGNIFICANT INJURIES	14	
PERFORM SECONDARY ASSESSMENT SIGNIFICANT INJURIES	16	
PERFORM REASSESSMENT	4	
SUBTOTAL	68	
TOTAL POINTS SCORED BY EVALUEE		

Evaluator Signature: _____ Date: _____ PASS / FAIL