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GENERAL SKILLS

Administration of Chemo Therapy	1	2	3	4
Advanced Directives	1	2	3	4
Cardiac Arrest / CPR	1	2	3	4
Cardioversion / Defibrillation	1	2	3	4
End of Life Care	1	2	3	4
Experience with/on Rapid Response Teams	1	2	3	4
Hyperbaric Experience	1	2	3	4
Interpretation and Communication of Lab Values	1	2	3	4
Interpretation of 12 Lead EKG	1	2	3	4
Interpretation of Arrhythmias	1	2	3	4
Interpretation of Hemodynamic Monitoring	1	2	3	4
Isolation Precautions - (Contact, Respiratory, Reverse / Universal)	1	2	3	4
Lift / Transfer Devices	1	2	3	4
Organ / Tissue Donation Procedures	1	2	3	4
Pain Assessment and Management Protocols	1	2	3	4
Patient / Family Teaching	1	2	3	4
Seizure Precautions	1	2	3	4
Suicide Precautions	1	2	3	4
Universal Precautions	1	2	3	4
Use of Specialty Beds	1	2	3	4

Care of Patient With:

Anaphylaxis	1	2	3	4
Cancer	1	2	3	4
DIC	1	2	3	4
Drug or Chemical Overdose	1	2	3	4
HIV	1	2	3	4
Poisoning - (CO, Cyanide)	1	2	3	4
Substance Abuse - (ETOH, Stimulants, Narcotics)	1	2	3	4
Restraints	1	2	3	4
Multisystem Organ Dysfunction Syndrome (MODS)	1	2	3	4

CARDIOVASCULAR

Assessment of Heart Sounds	1	2	3	4
Assist with Insertion & Management of:				
Arterial Line	1	2	3	4
Continuous Cardiac Output / SVO2 Catheter	1	2	3	4
CVC (Central Venous Catheter)	1	2	3	4
Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP)	1	2	3	4
Swanz - Ganz Catheter	1	2	3	4

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Ventricular Assist Device (LVAD, RVAD)	1	2	3	4
Maintenance & Management of:				
Administration of Volume Expanders: (Albumin, Dextran, Hetastarch)	1	2	3	4
Discontinuing Arterial sheaths Femostop / VasoSeal	1	2	3	4
Discontinuing CVCs / Venous Sheaths	1	2	3	4
Epicardial Pacemaker Wires	1	2	3	4
External pacemaker	1	2	3	4
Permanent Pacemaker, Automatic Internal Cardioverter Defibrillator (AICD)	1	2	3	4
Care of Patient with:				
Acute Myocardial Infarction	1	2	3	4
Aortic Aneurysm	1	2	3	4
Thoracic / Abdominal Aneurysm	1	2	3	4
Endoluminal Graft	1	2	3	4
Cardiac Contusion / Trauma	1	2	3	4
Cardiac Tamponade	1	2	3	4
Cardiac Valvular Disease	1	2	3	4
Cardiogenic Shock	1	2	3	4
Cardiomyopathy	1	2	3	4
Congestive Heart Failure	1	2	3	4
Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery (CABG)	1	2	3	4
Endocarditis	1	2	3	4
Heart Transplant	1	2	3	4
Hypertensive Crisis	1	2	3	4
MAZE Procedure	1	2	3	4
Mitral Aortic Valve Replacement (MVR, AVR)	1	2	3	4
Pericarditis	1	2	3	4
Pre / Post: Cardiac Catheterization	1	2	3	4
PTCA / Cardiac Stents	1	2	3	4
Use and Administration of Medication:				
ACLS Medications and Protocols	1	2	3	4
Adenosine	1	2	3	4
Aggrastat	1	2	3	4
Amiodarone	1	2	3	4
Angiomax	1	2	3	4
Argatroban	1	2	3	4
Cardizem	1	2	3	4
Dobutamine	1	2	3	4
Dopamine	1	2	3	4
Fibrinolytics	1	2	3	4
Heparin	1	2	3	4
Integrilin	1	2	3	4

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Levophed	1	2	3	4
Nipride	1	2	3	4
Nitroglycerin	1	2	3	4
Propofol	1	2	3	4
REOPRO	1	2	3	4
Retavase	1	2	3	4
tPA	1	2	3	4

PULMONARY				
Assessment of:				
Breath Sounds	1	2	3	4
Rate and Labor of Breathing	1	2	3	4
Assist With:				
Bronchoscopy	1	2	3	4
Chest Tube Insertion	1	2	3	4
Emergency Tracheostomy	1	2	3	4
Intubation	1	2	3	4
Endotracheal Tube	1	2	3	4
Identification / Intervention for Respiratory Complications:				
Aspiration	1	2	3	4
Laryngospasm	1	2	3	4
Tension Pneumothorax	1	2	3	4
Interpretation of Lab Results - Arterial Blood Gases	1	2	3	4
Obtaining ABG Blood Sample:				
Arterial Line	1	2	3	4
Arterial Puncture	1	2	3	4
Pulse Oximetry	1	2	3	4
Tracheostomy	1	2	3	4
Use of Chest Drainage System:				
Pleurevac	1	2	3	4
Thoraclex	1	2	3	4
Water Seal	1	2	3	4
Ventilator Management:				
AC (Assist / Control Ventilation)	1	2	3	4
BiPAP	1	2	3	4
CPAP (Continuous Positive Airway Pressure)	1	2	3	4
Interpretation of Weaning Parameters	1	2	3	4
Inverse Ratio Ventilation	1	2	3	4
Maintenance & Management of Pleural Chest Tubes	1	2	3	4

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PULMONARY, con't.	
Oscillation / High Frequency Ventilation	1 2 3 4
PCV (Pressure Control Ventilation)	1 2 3 4
PEEP (Positive End Expiration Pressure)	1 2 3 4
SIMV / IMV (Synchronized / Intermittent Mandatory Ventilation)	1 2 3 4
Care of Patient with:	
Acute Respiratory Failure	1 2 3 4
ARDS (Adult Respiratory Distress Syndrome)	1 2 3 4
COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease)	1 2 3 4
Inhalation Injuries	1 2 3 4
Lung Transplant	1 2 3 4
Near Drowning	1 2 3 4
Pneumonia	1 2 3 4
Pre / Post Thoracic Surgery	1 2 3 4
Pulmonary Chest Trauma	1 2 3 4
Pulmonary Edema	1 2 3 4
Pulmonary Hypertension	1 2 3 4
Status Asthmaticus	1 2 3 4
Use and Administration of Medication:	
Corticosteroids	1 2 3 4
Nebulizer Treatments:	
Atrovent	1 2 3 4
Ventolin	1 2 3 4
Rapid Sequence Intubation / Drugs and Protocols	1 2 3 4

NEUROLOGY	
Assist with Lumbar Puncture	1 2 3 4
Cervical Spine Precautions / Logroll Positioning	1 2 3 4
Cranial Nerve Assessment	1 2 3 4
Glasgow Coma Scale	1 2 3 4
Halo Vest / Halo Traction	1 2 3 4
Intracranial / Cerebral Perfusion Pressure Monitoring (ICP / CPP) via:	
Subarachnoid Screw / Bolt	1 2 3 4
Ventriculostomy	1 2 3 4
Intrathecal Catheters	1 2 3 4
Monitoring of Neuromuscular Blocking Agents / Paralytics	1 2 3 4
Seizure Precautions	1 2 3 4
Use of Kinetic Bed	1 2 3 4

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NEUROLOGY, con't.	
Care of Patient with:	
Cerebral Aneurysm	1 2 3 4
Cerebro Vascular Accident (CVA)	1 2 3 4
Guillain-Barre Syndrome	1 2 3 4
Head Injury	1 2 3 4
Meningitis	1 2 3 4
Myasthenia Gravis	1 2 3 4
Pituitary Tumor	1 2 3 4
Pre / Post Cranial Surgery	1 2 3 4
Spinal Cord Injury	1 2 3 4
Status Epilepticus	1 2 3 4
Subarachnoid Hemorrhage	1 2 3 4
Use and Administration of Medication:	
Epidural Administration	1 2 3 4
Mannitol	1 2 3 4
Anticonvulsants:	
Dilantin	1 2 3 4
Phenobarbital	1 2 3 4
Antipsychotics:	
Haldol	1 2 3 4
Paralytic Agents:	
Nimbex	1 2 3 4
Norcuron	1 2 3 4
Pavulon	1 2 3 4
Tracrium	1 2 3 4
Steroids:	
Decadron	1 2 3 4
Solumedrol	1 2 3 4

TRAUMA & BURNS	
Amputation	1 2 3 4
Calculation of Total Body Surface Area (BSA) Burned:	
Berdow Formula / "Rule of Nines"	1 2 3 4
Lund and Browder Chart	1 2 3 4
Electrocution	1 2 3 4
Escharotomy	1 2 3 4
Fluid Resuscitation	1 2 3 4
Gangrene	1 2 3 4
Hyperthermia	1 2 3 4

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TRAUMA & BURNS, con't.				
Hypothermia	1	2	3	4
Mass Casualty	1	2	3	4
Multiple Fractures	1	2	3	4
Skin Grafting	1	2	3	4
Wound Care:				
Antimicrobial Therapy (Topical Agents)	1	2	3	4
Cleansing	1	2	3	4
Debridement (Manual / Surgical)	1	2	3	4
Hydrotherapy	1	2	3	4

GASTROINTESTINAL				
Equipment & Procedures:				
Assisting / Monitoring Bedside Endoscopy	1	2	3	4
Balloon Tamponade (Sengstaken Blakemore)	1	2	3	4
Flexible Feeding Tube (Corpak, Dobhoff)	1	2	3	4
Insertion of Post / Pyloric Feeding Tubes	1	2	3	4
Maintenance & Management of Enteral Tube Feedings	1	2	3	4
Maintenance of Gastric / Jejunostomy Tube	1	2	3	4
Placement of Nasogastric Tube	1	2	3	4
Care of Patient with:				
Abdominal Trauma (Blunt / Penetrating)	1	2	3	4
Acute Gastrointestinal Hemorrhage	1	2	3	4
Acute Pancreatitis	1	2	3	4
Bowel Obstruction	1	2	3	4
Esophageal Varices	1	2	3	4
Liver / Pancreas Transplant	1	2	3	4
Peritonitis	1	2	3	4
Stoma Care	1	2	3	4
Use and Administration of Medication:				
Antiemetics: Reglan, Zofran	1	2	3	4
H2 Receptor Antagonists	1	2	3	4
TPN and Lipids Administration	1	2	3	4

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RENAL / GENITOURINARY				
Bladder Irrigation	1	2	3	4
Continuous Arteriovenous Hemofiltration (CAVHD, CVVHP, SCUF)	1	2	3	4
Hemodialysis	1	2	3	4
Maintenance & Management of Fluid Electrolyte Balance	1	2	3	4
Nephrostomy Tube	1	2	3	4
Peritoneal Dialysis	1	2	3	4
Care of Patient with:				
Acute Renal Failure	1	2	3	4
AV Fistula Shunts & Dialysis Catheters	1	2	3	4
Chronic Renal Failure	1	2	3	4
Nephrectomy	1	2	3	4
Renal Transplant	1	2	3	4
Renal / Urinary Tract Trauma	1	2	3	4
Urinary Diversion (Ileal Conduit Nephrostomy)	1	2	3	4

ENDOCRINE				
Administration and Monitoring of Insulin Infusion	1	2	3	4
Hyperosmolar Hyperglycemic Nonketotic Coma (HHNK)	1	2	3	4
Syndrome of Inappropriate Antidiuretic Hormone (SIADH)	1	2	3	4
Care of Patient with:				
Diabetes Insipidus	1	2	3	4
Diabetes Mellitus	1	2	3	4
Diabetic Ketoacidosis	1	2	3	4
Disorders of Adrenal Gland (Addison's Disease)	1	2	3	4
Disorders of the Thyroid Gland (Thyroidectomy)	1	2	3	4
Drug / ETOH Overdose	1	2	3	4
Hyperthyroidism (Grave's Disease)	1	2	3	4
Hypothyroidism	1	2	3	4
Insulin Shock	1	2	3	4

WOUND MANAGEMENT				
Assessment of:				
Skin for Impending Breakdown	1	2	3	4
Stasis Ulcers	1	2	3	4
Surgical Wound Healing	1	2	3	4

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Maintenance & Management of:

Air Fluidized, Low Airloss Beds	1	2	3	4
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Sterile Dressing Changes	1	2	3	4
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Wound Care / Irrigations	1	2	3	4
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Care of Patient with:

Burns	1	2	3	4
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Pressure Sores	1	2	3	4
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Staged Decubitus Ulcers	1	2	3	4
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Surgical Wounds w Drains	1	2	3	4
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Traumatic Wounds	1	2	3	4
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PHLEBOTOMY / IV THERAPY

Administration of Blood / Blood Products	1	2	3	4
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Administration / Monitoring of Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN)	1	2	3	4
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Peripherally-Inserted Central Catheter (PICC)	1	2	3	4
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Starting Peripheral IVs	1	2	3	4
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Use and Administration of Medication:

Ativan	1	2	3	4
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Fentanyl	1	2	3	4
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Morphine	1	2	3	4
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Versed	1	2	3	4
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PAIN MANAGEMENT

Assessment of Pain Level / Tolerance	1	2	3	4
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Assessment & Response of Pain Management Treatment	1	2	3	4
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Care of Patient with:

Epidural Anesthesia / Analgesia	1	2	3	4
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IV Conscious Sedation	1	2	3	4
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Patient Controlled Analgesia (PCA Pump)	1	2	3	4
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EXPERIENCE	Level
Burn	Y N
Cardiothoracic	Y N
Cardiovascular	Y N
Coronary Care	Y N
ER	Y N
Medical	Y N
Neuro	Y N
Recovery Room / PACU	Y N
Stepdown	Y N
Surgical	Y N
Trauma Center	Y N
Community Hospital	Y N
Rural Hospital	Y N
Teaching Hospital	Y N

LEGEND KEY FOR AGE SPECIFIC CRITERIA

[A] = Newborn (Birth to 30 days)

[B] = Infant (30 days to 1 year)

[C] = Toddler (1 to 3 years)

[D] = Young Children (4 to 6 years)

[E] = Older Children (7 to 12 years)

[F] = Adolescents (13 to 20 years)

[G] = Young Adults (21 to 39 years)

[H] = Middle Adults (40 to 60 years)

[I] = Older Adults (61+ years)

AGE SPECIFIC CRITERIA

Able to adapt care to incorporate normal growth and development

A B C D E F G H I

Able to adapt method and terminology of patient instructions to their age

comprehension and maturity level

A B C D E F G H I

Can ensure a safe environment reflecting specific needs of various age groups

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CERTIFICATIONS / COURSES / SKILLS		Level
ACLS	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
BLS	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
BTLS	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
CCRN	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
CNRN	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
ENPC	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
NRP	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
PALS	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
TNCC	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
Arrhythmia Course	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
Critical Care Course	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
Computerized Charting	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
IV Certification	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	
Medication Administration System	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	

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Date _____

Signature _____