

Patient Assessment – Trauma

Candidate Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

SKILLS PERFORMED	Points Possible	Points Awarded	
Takes or verbalizes body substance isolation precautions	1		
SCENE SIZE-UP			
Determines the scene is safe	1		
Determines the mechanism of injury	1		
Determines the number of patients	1		
Requests additional help if necessary	1		
Considers stabilization of the spine	1		
INITIAL ASSESSMENT			
Verbalizes general impression of the patient	1		
Determine responsiveness/level of consciousness	1		
Determines chief complaint/apparent life threats	1		
Assesses Airway & Assesses breathing	Assessment for patency / resp rate (opens airway head-tilt or jaw thrust) Assures adequate ventilation (OPA / NPA as needed) Injury management (suctions / rolls patient PRN) Initiates appropriate oxygen therapy (NRM / BVM)	1 1 1 1	
Assesses circulation	Assesses pulse (carotid AND radial) Assesses for and controls major bleeding (head-toe sweep) Assesses skin (Color, Temperature, Condition)	1 1 1	
CUPS	Identifies priority patients/makes transport decision	1	
FIRST RESPONDER PHYSICAL EXAM AND HISTORY			
Selects appropriate assessment (Focused physical exam or rapid physical exam)		1	
Obtains or directs assistant to obtain baseline vital signs (Pulse, Resp., BP, Skin, Pupils)		1	
Obtains or directs assistant to obtain S.A.M.P.L.E. history		1	
Assesses the head	Inspects and palpates the scalp and ears (D-O-T-S, CSF) Assesses the eyes (PERRLA or otherwise) Assesses the facial area-oral and nasal regions (D-O-T-S, CSF)	1 1 1	
Assesses the neck	Inspects and palpates (D-O-T-S) Assesses for JVD Assesses for tracheal deviation	1 1 1	
Assesses the chest	Inspects (bilateral expansion) Palpates (D-O-T-S)	1 1	
Assesses the abdomen	Inspects and palpates x 4 quadrants (D-O-T-S, rigidity, masses)	1	
Assesses the pelvis	Inspects and palpates (D-O-T-S, instability) Verbalizes the assessment of genitalia/perineum as needed	1 1	
Assesses the extremities	Includes inspection/palpation – 1 pt for each extremity (DOTS) Circulation Motor Sensory	1 1 1 1	
Assesses posterior region	Inspects and palpates thoracic region Assesses lumbar region	1 1	
Manages secondary injuries and wounds appropriately		1	
Verbalizes on-going assessment-including vital signs		1	
Provides a verbal patient report to paramedic unit		1	
TOTAL		40	

- Did not take or verbalize body substance isolation
- Did not assess for spinal protection
- Did not provide for spinal protection when indicated
- Did not provide high concentration of oxygen
- Did not evaluate and find conditions of airway, breathing, circulation, hemorrhage or shock (hypoperfusion)
- Did not manage/provide airway, breathing, hemorrhage control or treatment for shock

Examiner name: _____ Examiner initials: _____