

Rhythm Disturbances/Electrical Therapy Skills Station Competency Checklist

Critical Performance Steps	For more information, see
Applies ECG leads correctly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negative (white) lead: to right shoulder Positive (red) lead: to left ribs Ground (black, green, brown) lead: to left shoulder 	Instructor demonstration
Demonstrates correct operation of monitor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turns monitor on Adjusts device to manual mode (not AED mode) to display rhythm in standard limb leads (I, II, III) or paddles/electrode pads 	Instructor demonstration
Verbalizes correct electrical therapy for appropriate core rhythms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Synchronized cardioversion for unstable SVT, VT with pulses Defibrillation for pulseless VT, VF 	Part 9: “Recognition and Management of Tachycardia”; Part 10: “Recognition and Management of Cardiac Arrest”
Selects correct paddle/electrode pad for infant or child; places paddles/electrode pads in correct position	Part 10: “Recognition and Management of Cardiac Arrest”
Demonstrates correct and safe synchronized cardioversion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Places device in synchronized mode Selects appropriate energy (0.5 to 1.0 J/kg for initial shock) Charges, clears, delivers current 	Part 9: “Recognition and Management of Tachycardia”
Demonstrates correct and safe manual defibrillation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Places device in unsynchronized mode Selects energy (2 to 4 J/kg for initial shock) Charges, clears, delivers current 	Part 10: “Recognition and Management of Cardiac Arrest”

Vascular Access Skills Station Competency Checklist

Critical Performance Steps	For more information, see
Verbalizes indications for IO insertion	“Intraosseous Access” at the end of Part 7, “Resources for Management of Circulatory Emergencies”
Verbalizes sites for IO insertion (anterior tibia, distal femur, medial malleolus, anterior-superior iliac spine)	
Verbalizes contraindications for IO placement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fracture in extremity Previous insertion attempt in the same bone Infection overlying bone 	
Inserts IO catheter safely	
Verbalizes how to confirm IO catheter is in correct position; verbalizes how to secure IO catheter	
Attaches IV line to IO catheter; demonstrates giving IO fluid bolus by using 3-way stopcock and syringe	Instructor demonstration
Shows how to determine correct drug doses by using a color-coded length-based tape or other resource	“Color-Coded Length-Based Resuscitation Tape” at the end of Part 7, “Resources for Management of Circulatory Emergencies”
The following is optional:	
Verbalizes correct procedure for establishing IV access	