

NAME _____ TITLE _____

PROFICIENCY EVALUATION VENIPUNCTURE

1. Gather appropriate equipment.
2. Properly greet and identify patient. Explain procedure.
3. Choose a suitable puncture site and position patient adequately.
4. Wash hands. Put on gloves.
5. Open 6" extension tubing and remove from package. Prime tubing with saline and place connector end back in package. (Leave syringe attached to cap)
6. Apply tourniquet properly.
7. Prepare insertion site with iodine swabstick provided in start kit and allow to dry.
8. Perform venipuncture successfully with minimum trauma to patient.
 - a. Hold needle with bevel up.
 - b. Use thumb of opposite hand to hold skin taut above the puncture site.
 - c. Push the needle through the skin at a 45 degree angle.
 - d. Lower the needle to 15-20 degrees and slowly advance to seat needle in the vein.
 - e. Remove the tourniquet.
9. Holding the needle still, float the catheter off the needle and into the vein until the hub rests at the skin surface. Dispose of needle in sharps container.
10. Attach the extension tubing to the catheter.
11. Place tegaderm over the insertion site.
12. Flush tubing and catheter with saline in syringe. (Use a minimum of 3cc of saline)
13. Date, initial and state catheter gauge on label supplied on the Tegaderm dressing. Apply to side of dressing.
14. Secure extension to assure stability.
15. Make patient comfortable.
16. Document on IV record: start or restart of therapy, site, date and time started.

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