

**Community College of Aurora
Practical Exam Skill Sheet
Patient Assessment - Trauma**

Modeled after the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Advanced Level Practical Examination

Student name: _____ Date: _____

Examiner: _____ Signature: _____

Time Start: _____	Possible Points	Points Awarded
Takes or verbalizes body substance isolation precautions	1	
SCENE SIZE-UP		
Determines the scene/situation is safe	1	
Determines the mechanism of injury/nature of illness	1	
Determines the number of patients	1	
Requests addition help if necessary	1	
Considers stabilization of spine	1	
INITIAL ASSESSMENT/RESUSCITATION		
Verbalizes general impression of the patient	1	
Determines responsiveness/level of consciousness	1	
Determines chief complaint/apparent life-threats	1	
Airway Opens and assesses airway (1 point) -Inserts adjunct as indicated (1 point)	2	
Breathing -Assesses breathing (1 point) -Assures adequate ventilation (1 point) -Initiates appropriate oxygen therapy (1 point) -Manages any injury which may compromise breathing/ventilation (1 point)	4	
Circulation -Checks pulse (1 point) -Assess skin [either skin color, temperature, or condition] (1 point) -Assesses for and controls major bleeding if present (1 point) -Initiates shock management (1 point)	4	
FOCUSED HISTORY AND PHYSICAL EXAMINATION/RAPID TRAUMA ASSESSMENT		
Selects appropriate assessment	1	
Obtains or directs assistant to obtain baseline vital signs	1	
Obtains SAMPLE history	1	
DETAILED PHYSICAL EXAMINATION		
Head -Inspects mouth**, nose**, and assesses facial area (1 point) -Inspects and palpates scalp and ears (1 point) -Assesses eyes for PERRL** (1 point)	3	
Neck** -Checks position of trachea (1 point)	3	

-Checks jugular veins (1 point) -Palpates cervical spine (1 point)		
Chest** -Inspects chest (1 point) -Palpates chest (1 point) -Auscultates chest (1 point)	3	
Abdomen/pelvis** -Inspects and palpates abdomen (1 point) -Assesses pelvis (1 point) -Verbalizes assessment of genitalia/perineum as needed (1 point)	3	
Lower extremities** -Inspects, palpates, and assesses motor, sensory, and distal circulation functions (1 point/leg)	2	
Upper extremities -Inspects, palpates, and assesses motor, sensory, and distal circulation functions (1 point/arm)	2	
Posterior thorax, lumbar, and buttocks** -Inspects and palpates posterior thorax (1 point) -Inspects and palpates lumbar and buttocks area (1 point)	2	
Manages secondary injuries and wounds appropriately	1	
Performs ongoing assessment	1	
Time End: TOTAL	43	
CRITICAL CRITERIA		
	Failure to initiate or call for transport of the patient within 10 minute time limit	
	Failure to take or verbalize body substance isolation precautions	
	Failure to determine scene safety	
	Failure to assess for and provide spinal protection when indicated	
	Failure to voice and ultimately provide high concentration of oxygen	
	Failure to assess/provide adequate ventilation	
	Failure to find or appropriately manage problems associated with airway, breathing, hemorrhage or shock [hypoperfusion]	
	Failure to differentiate patient's need for immediate transportation versus continued assessment/treatment at the scene	
	Does other detailed/focused history or physical exam before assessing/treating threats to airway, breathing, and circulation	
	Orders a dangerous or inappropriate intervention	

You must factually document your rationale for checking any of the above critical items on the reverse side of this form.