

Skills Check-Off

External Pacing

Candidate: _____ Examiner: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Time Started: _____

	Points Possible	Points Awarded
Takes, or verbalizes, body substance isolation precautions	1	
Verbalizes under what circumstances it would be appropriate to pace a patient	1	
Applies appropriate sized pacing pads in appropriate location	1	
Attaches pacing pads to monitor	1	
Selects the desired pacing rate	1	
Starts at the lowest milliamps and increases the current until electrical capture is noted on the monitor	1	
Palpates a central artery to verify mechanical capture	1	
Verbalizes what to do if mechanical capture is achieved	1	
Verbalizes the need to continue to monitor the patients EKG and vital signs	1	
Time End: _____	Total	9

CRITICAL CRITERIA

- _____ Does not immediately don or verbalize BSI
- _____ Places the pacing pads in the incorrect position
- _____ Starts at a inappropriate current setting
- _____ Failure to check pulse with capture