

Skills Check-Off

Sling and Swath

Candidate: _____ Examiner: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Time Started: _____

	Points Possible	Points Awarded
Takes, or verbalizes, body substance isolation precautions	1	
Prepares sling using one cravat	1	
Obtains two cravats and ties end to end to serve as swath	1	
Evaluates PMS of the injured limb arm and compares bilaterally	1	
If injury is distal to elbow, angle wrist cephalic, in order to be above the heart If injury is proximal to the elbow or occurs at the elbow, position the arm at a 90 degree angle	1	
Places arm in sling	1	
Secures sling around neck	1	
Pads the neck for comfort	1	
Secures swath around patients back and across the sling to prevent movement of the arm	1	
Reevaluates PMS of the injured arm and compares bilaterally	1	
Time End: _____	Total	10

CRITICAL CRITERIA

- _____ Does not immediately don or verbalize BSI
- _____ Does not initially evaluate PMS
- _____ Does not reevaluate PMS
- _____ Moved extremity in dangerous manner