

Short Board Spinal Immobilization (Seated Patient)

Skill Verification

Start Time: _____

Stop Time: _____ Date: _____

Candidate's Name: _____

Evaluator's Name: _____

| ASSESSMENT | Skill Completed | Did Not Complete |
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| Takes, or verbalizes, body substance isolation | | |
| Directs assistant to place/maintain patient's head in neutral, in-line position | | |
| Assess patient's CSM (circulation/sensation/motion) in each extremity | | |
| Measure and apply appropriate cervical collar | | |
| Directs additional assistants to prepare the immobilization device (OSS or KED) | | |
| Directs the movement of the device behind the patient | | |
| Correctly secures the patient's torso to the device | | |
| Applies appropriate tension to torso straps (adjust as necessary) | | |
| Correctly directs assistants to immobilize patient's head to the board (pad behind head as necessary) | | |
| Verbalizes need to watch for hypothermia | | |
| Verbalizes need to watch for any airway compromise | | |
| Assess CSM (circulation/sensation/motion) | | |
| Total | | |

Critical Criteria

_____ Did not direct assistant to maintain manual stabilization of the head until immobilized to the board

_____ Allowed excessive movement of the patient

_____ Did not check CSM before and after immobilization

_____ Applied straps to patient's head before torso is immobilized