

Respiratory Therapist Skills Checklist

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In order to provide suitable assignments for you, this checklist is intended as a method of assessing your professional proficiency. Please rate your skill level as accurately as possible by placing a **check** (✓) in the appropriate box.

1 = No experience; Theory/observed only

2 = Limited competency; < 5 times per year; Needs supervision

3 = Acceptable competency; > 5 times per year

4 = Competent; Performs on a daily or weekly basis; Proficient

Skill Level	1	2	3	4
Assessment				
Breath Sounds				✓
Peak Flow Rate				✓
Pulmonary Function Testing				✓
Rate and Work of Breathing				✓
Transcutaneous Monitoring				✓
Interpretation of Lab Results				
Arterial Blood Gases				✓
Basic EKG				✓
Blood Chemistry				✓
Chest X-Ray				✓
Airway Management Devices/Suctioning				
Check Intracuff Pressure				✓
Endotracheal Tube/ Suctioning				✓
Nasal Airway Placement				✓
Nasal Airway/ Suctioning				✓
Oral Airway/ Placement				✓
Oropharyngeal/ Suctioning				✓
Sputum Specimen Collection				✓
Tracheostomy/ Suctioning				✓
Analyze Oxygen				✓
Arterial Line Insertion			✓	
Care of the Patient With a Chest Tube				
Assessment of Function/ Proper				✓
Placement Assistance				✓
Chest Physiotherapy				✓
Drawing Arterial Blood Gasses				
Arterial Line				✓
Brachial Artery				✓
Femoral Artery				✓
Radial Artery; Allen Tests				✓
Extubate				✓
Extubation Assistance				✓
Hemodynamic Monitoring			✓	
Incentive Spirometry				✓

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Drawing Arterial Blood Gasses cont...				
Infection Control Procedures				✓
Intubate				✓
Intubation Assistance				✓
Medication Delivery Systems				
Aerosol Heated/cool				✓
Aerosol Setup-Mask				✓
Aerosol Set up-Trach				✓
IPPB				✓
Medihaler				✓
Metered Dose Inhaler				✓
Therapy				
Bag and Mask				✓
ET Tube				✓
External CPAP				✓
Face Masks				✓
Nasal Cannula				✓
Nebulizer				
Cold				✓
Hand Held				✓
Heated				✓
Ultrasonic				✓
Portable O2 Tank				✓
T-Piece				✓
Trach Collar				✓
Thoracentesis Assistance				✓
Ventilator Set Up and Care				
Assist/ Control				✓
CPAP				✓
Flow-by				✓
High Frequency Jet Ventilator		✓		
High Frequency Oscillator		✓		
IMV				✓
Inverse Ratio Ventilator		✓		
Pressure Support				✓

Ventilator Set Up and Care cont....			
Pressure Vents			X
SIMV			X
Trouble Shooting High Pressure Alarms			X
Trouble Shooting Low Pressure Alarms			X
Volume Vents			X
Weaning			X
Care of Patients With			
Acute/ Chronic Bronchitis			X
ARDS (Adult Respiratory Distress Syndrome)			X
Aspiration			X
Asthma			X
Bronchoscopy			X
Cardiac Surgery			X
CHF			X
Cystic Fibrosis			X
Epiglottitis			X
Fresh Tracheostomy			X
Gullian-Barre			X
Hemo pneumothorax			X
Laryngospasm			X
Myasthenia Gravis			X
Pneumonia			X
Pulmonary Edema			X
Pulmonary Embolism			X
Smoke Inhalation			X
Status Asthmaticus			X
Tension Pneumothorax			X
Thoracotomy			X
Tracheo-Esophageal Fistula		X	
Tuberculosis			X
Administration of Medications			
Aerobid, Vanceril			X
Aminophyline (Theophyline)			X
Azmacort			X
Bicarbonate			X
Combivent			X
Cromolyn Sodium (Intal)			X
Decadron			X
Flonase			X
Flovent			X
Inhaled Steroids			X
Ipratropium Bromade (Atrovent)			X
Isoetharine (Bronkosol)			X
Isoproterenol (Isuprel)			X
Metaproterenol			X

Administration of Medications cont.			
Mucomyst			X
Nasacort			X
Racemic Epinephrine			X
Salbutamol (Albuterol, Proventil, Ventolin)			X
Terbutaline Sulfate (Bricanyl)			X
Familiar with the Effects Of			
Anectine		X	
Atropine			X
Corticosteroids			X
Digitalis			X
Digoxin			X
Dopamine			X
Duramorph			X
Heli/ox Therapy			X
Ketamine			X
Lidocaine			X
Morphine Sulphate			X
Nipride			X
Nitric Oxide Therapy			X
Pavulon			X
Pentamidine Isethionate			X
Propofol			X
Theo-dur			X
Valium			X
Phlebotomy			
Drawing Blood From Central Line			X
Drawing Blood From Peripheral Line			X
Drawing Venous Blood			X
Neonatal/ Pediatrics			
Assist In High Risk Delivery			X
Capillary Blood Gasses			X
ECMO		X	
O2 To Tent			X
Umbilical Blood Gasses			X
Care of Infant or Child With			
Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia (BPD)		X	
Croup			X
Epiglottis			X
Meconium Aspiration			X
Near Drowning			X
Persistent Pulmonary Hypertension (PPHN)			X
Pulmonary Interstitial Emphysema (PIE)			X
Respiratory Distress Syndrome (RDS)			X
Respiratory Syncytial Virus			X
Transient Tachypnea of the Newborn			X

Age Specific Practice Criteria				
Newborn/Neonate (birth – 30 days)				X
Infant (30 days – 1 year)				X
Toddler (1 – 3 years)				X
Preschooler (3 – 5 yrs)				X
School age children (5 – 12 years)				X
Adolescents (12 – 18 years)				X
Young Adults (18 – 39 years)				X
Middle Adults (39 – 64 years)				X
Older Adults (64+ years)				X

EMR				
AllScripts	X			
Canopy	X			
Epic				X
Cerner	X			
Eclipsys	X			
McKesson				X
Meditech				X
Other Computerized System				X
Computerized Physician Order Entry	X			
Bar Coding for Medication Administration				X

EQUIPMENT: Please check "YES" if you have used any of the ventilators or Cardiac Monitors listed below:

Ventilator	Record Series (name or #)
Bear	yes
Bird	yes
Bp	
Hamilton Amedeus, Veolar	
MA	
Newport	yes
Sechrist	
Servo	yes
Drager Infant	
Emerson	
Engstrom	
Putitan Bennett 7200 Series	yes & 840
Other	Avea & Drager

Please list any areas of expertise below:

PFT 20+ years, Bronchoscopy assist, asthma education, COPD education, smoking cessation

I hereby certify that ALL information I have provided to CareStaff Partners on this skills checklist is true and accurate. I understand and acknowledge that any misrepresentation or omission may result in disqualification from employment and/or immediate termination.

Signature:  Date: 5/4/2019

