

**Sample Critical Care Unit Skills Training Checklist**

	Date Completed	Preceptor Initials
<b><u>Cardiovascular</u></b>		
▪ Echocardiogram		
○ Contrast administration		
○ Bubble study		
▪ Defibrillator		
○ Review use		
▪ Pacemaker insertion and management/monitoring		
○ Box- supply/equipment review		
○ Nursing role during insertion		
▪ Therapeutic Hypothermia		
○ Equipment		
○ Policy		
▪ Transesophageal Echocardiogram		
○ Nursing role during procedure		
<b><u>GI/GU</u></b>		
▪ Bladder Pressure Monitoring		
○ Equipment set-up		
○ Procedure review		
▪ Endoscopy (Colonoscopy/EGD)		
○ Nursing role during procedure		
▪ Temperature Sensing Urinary Catheter		
○ Equipment		
<b><u>Neurological</u></b>		
▪ Train of Four		
○ Equipment		
▪ Bispectral Index (BIS) or electroencephalogram (EEG) Monitor		
○ Equipment		
<b><u>Respiratory</u></b>		
▪ Chest Tubes		
○ Equipment		
○ Nursing role during insertion		
○ Troubleshooting		
▪ Bronchoscopy		
○ Nursing role during procedure		
▪ Intubation/Extubation		
○ Nursing role during procedure(s)		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Positive Pressure Ventilation (BiPAP, CPAP, Mechanical Ventilation) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Equipment</li> <li>○ Rationale for each</li> <li>○ Troubleshooting</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<b><u>Infusion Devices:</u></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Infusion Pumps</li> <li>▪ Patient Controlled Analgesia (PCA) Pump</li> <li>▪ Enteral Feeding Pump</li> <li>▪ Epidural Pump</li> <li>▪ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Pump</li> </ul>		
<b><u>Medications/Medication Policies:</u></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Blood Administration</li> <li>▪ Continuous IV Sedation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Lorazepam, dexmedetomidine, propofol, midazolam</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Continuous IV Analgesics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fentanyl, morphine, ketamine</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA) Protocol</li> <li>▪ Heparin Protocol</li> <li>▪ Insulin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA)/Non-KDA</li> <li>○ Online calculators</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Moderate Sedation</li> <li>▪ Neuromuscular Blocking Agents</li> <li>▪ Total parenteral nutrition (TPN): Policy, Tracking Flowsheet</li> <li>▪ Vasopressors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dopamine, dobutamine, norepinephrine, phenylephrine, vasopressin</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<b><u>Miscellaneous Policies:</u></b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Cardiac Arrest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Nursing Role</li> <li>○ Policy Review</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Rapid Response <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Nursing Role</li> <li>○ Policy Review</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Restraints <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Acute Med-Surg, Non-Violent Behaviors</li> <li>○ Violent Behaviors</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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<b><u>Obtaining Lab Specimens:</u></b>		
▪ Blood sampling		
○ Arterial Line		
○ Central Line (Introducer)		
○ PICC Line		
○ Peripheral IV		
○ Peripheral Draw		
○ Blood Cultures		
○ Other		
○ Pulmonary Artery Catheter		
<b><u>Vascular Access:</u></b>		
▪ Arterial Line		
○ Nursing role		
○ Troubleshooting		
▪ Central Line (Introducer/Triple Lumen)		
○ Equipment		
○ Nursing role during insertion		
○ Management		
○ Pressure monitoring (CVP to Monitor)		
▪ PICC Line		
○ Management		
○ Pressure monitoring (CVP to Monitor)		
▪ Peripheral IV Insertion & Management		
▪ Pulmonary Artery Catheter		
○ Equipment for insertion		
○ Monitor set-up		
○ Nursing role		
○ Obtaining measurements		
○ Transducer set-up		
○ Troubleshooting		
○ Vasoactive intestinal polypeptide (VIP) vs. Thermodilution (TD) catheter		