

SPINAL IMMOBILIZATION CERVICAL COLLAR

STEPS TO BE PERFORMED	ACTION/VERBAL RESPONSE	POINTS POSSIBLE	POINTS AWARDED
* Takes appropriate body substance isolation precautions	I am taking appropriate BSI precautions.	(1)	
*Directs assistant to place head in a neutral in-line position (if necessary)	I will direct my partner to place both hands on the patient's head and bring the head into neutral alignment with the spine.	(1)	
*Directs assistant to maintain manual immobilization of the head & neck	I will direct my partner to maintain manual stabilization of the head and neck and do not let go until I tell you to.	(1)	
* Assess distal circulation, sensation and motor function in all four extremities	I will assess the status of circulation, sensation and motor function in all four extremities.	(1)	
*Measures patient and appropriately sizes c-collar	I will appropriately measure the patient from the bottom of the jaw to the top of the clavicle, and adjust the c-collar appropriately.	(1)	
*Applies an appropriate size cervical collar	I will apply an appropriate size cervical collar and confirm fit.	(1)	
* Reassess distal circulation, sensation and motor function in all four extremities	I will reassess the status of circulation, sensation and motor function in all four extremities.	(1)	
* = CRITICAL CRITERIA (Must Perform to Pass)		POINTS POSSIBLE: 7	Pass/Fail

Date: _____

Student Name: _____

Student Evaluator: _____

Instructor: _____

Critical Criteria

- _____ Did not take or verbalize body substance isolation precautions
- _____ Did not instruct partner to manually immobilize head in neutral, in-line position
- _____ Did not properly measure patient
- _____ Did not properly size cervical collar
- _____ Application of collar causes excessive movement/rotation of the head
- _____ Head not in neutral, in-line position after application of collar
- _____ Selected collar allows for excessive movement/rotation of the head
- _____ Did not assess/reassess circulation, sensation and motor function of all extremities