

Procedure Competency Assessment Tool – Colposcopy

Provider: _____

Date: _____

Procedure: ☐ Colposcopy of cervix/upper vagina ☐ Colposcopy of cervix/upper vagina with biopsy
 ☐ Colposcopy of entire vagina ☐ Colposcopy of entire vagina with biopsy
 ☐ Colposcopy of cervix/upper vagina with biopsy and ECC

How many of this procedure have you completed thus far? _____

Please circle the descriptor corresponding to the candidate's performance in each category, **irrespective of the training level.**

Indication/Informed Consent:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Not sure of the patient's history, context of the procedure, or has knowledge gaps in procedure contraindications or potential complications		Understands the general indications, contraindications, potential complications, and clinical value of procedure; able to explain to patient		Clearly articulates the clinical value, potential complications, and alternatives to patient; accurately answers all patient questions to obtain informed consent

Knowledge of Specific Procedure:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Deficient knowledge; unable to articulate procedure steps		Able to articulate all important steps of procedure		Demonstrates familiarity with all aspects of procedure

Procedure Setup:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Does not gather required supplies, poor patient positioning, poor sterile technique, or does not properly identify landmarks		Gathers key instruments and supplies; properly positions patient; identifies landmarks; maintains sterile technique		Anticipates supplies needed for unexpected complications; ergonomic setup of all instruments and supplies

Flow of Procedure:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Frequently stops procedure and seems unsure of next move		Demonstrates some forward planning with reasonable progression of procedure		Obviously plans course of procedure with effortless flow from one move to the next

Histologic Recognition:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Unsure of description of normal and abnormal areas of cervix; does not grade lesions accurately		Recognizes abnormal/dysplastic areas; describes histologic findings accurately		Accurately identifies abnormal areas and subtle findings that inform grading of dysplasia

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Speculum Handling/Visualization of Cervix:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Uses unnecessary force, clumsiness inserting speculum, or difficulty visualizing cervix		Careful insertion of speculum; achieves clear view of cervix		Adeptly finds cervix with comfortable speculum insertion

Facility with Colposcope:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Difficulty adjusting colposcope or setting up for exam		Able to adjust colposcope; organized exam flow		Clear economy of movement; maximum efficiency for exam and use of colposcope.

Instrument Handling:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Repeatedly makes tentative or awkward moves with instruments by inappropriate use of instruments		Competent use of instruments but occasionally appears stiff, awkward, or uncertain		Fluid moves with instruments and no awkwardness, comfortable with application and extraction

Specimen Handling: [] Not Applicable

Novice		Competent		Expert
Unsure of how extract specimen from instrument or where to place specimen		Places specimen into correct collection device		Precise and directed specimen handling

Overall on this task did the provider demonstrate competency to perform this procedure independently?

Yes _____ No _____

Comments:

Attending Name (Print): _____ Signature/Date: _____