

Procedure Competency Assessment Tool
Instrumented Vaginal Delivery

Provider: _____ Date: _____

Procedure: _____

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

Select Type: Forceps [] Vacuum []

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

Respect for Tissue:

(Novice)		(Competent)		(Expert)
Used unnecessary force on the tissue or caused damage by inappropriate use of instruments Unsure of application of instrument		Careful handling of tissue, protects perineum and applies instrument correctly Makes an appropriate size episiotomy if needed		Consistently handles tissues appropriately with minimal damage Adept at performing application of instrument and episiotomy

Time and Motion:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Many unnecessary moves		Efficient time/motion but some unnecessary moves		Clear economy of movement and maximum efficiency

Instrument Handling:

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

Knowledge of Instruments:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Demonstrates basic understanding of applying the instrument to the fetal head, may need assistance		Accurately tests equipment, places and extracts infant without assistance		Smoothly applies the instrument, verbalizes safety steps, adeptly extracts the infant.

Flow of Operation:

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

Delivery of the Infant:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Awkward or difficult hand placement and motion when delivering the infant		Appropriate and timely delivery of the infant, some coordination with pediatric personnel		Smooth delivery of the infant and coordination with pediatric personnel

Use of Assistants:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Consistently places assistants poorly or fails to use assistants		Appropriate use of assistants most of the time		Strategically uses assistants to the best advantage at all times

Knowledge of Specific Procedure:

Novice		Competent		Expert
Needs specific instructions at most steps		Knows all important steps of operation		Demonstrates familiarity with all aspects of operation

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

Yes _____ No _____

Comments:

Attending: _____ (Print) _____