

NURSING SKILLS CHECKLIST

Inserting a Peripheral IV Catheter

Date: _____ Facility: _____

Nurse's Name: _____

PROCEDURE	YES	NO	N/A
1. Perform venous assessment for proper site selection and vein quality, appropriate catheter size based on vein presentation, ordered therapy, and patient clinical factors.			
2. Perform hand hygiene before procedure.			
3. Explain procedure to patient.			
4. Assemble appropriate equipment including catheter length and gauge, extension set, needleless connector, IV start kit, and prefilled normal saline syringe.			
5. Use appropriate PPE for insertion and adhere to Aseptic Non Touch Technique (ANTT®) during procedure.			
6. Don gloves.			
7. Apply appropriate antimicrobial solution and allow to air dry.			
8. Dilate vein using single use tourniquet or blood pressure cuff.			
9. Use Aseptic Non Touch Technique (ANTT®) on selected site after skin prep.			
10. Hold skin/vein taut during insertion.			
11. Insert catheter per manufacturer's directions/facility policy. Ensure safety feature is activated when removing needle from the catheter. Remove tourniquet.			
12. Connect extension set, with pre-filled syringe attached, aspirate for brisk blood return and flush catheter then clamp and remove syringe.			
13. Stabilize catheter and apply transparent dressing correctly. Label with date time and initials.			
14. Secure IV tubing to prevent tension on catheter.			
15. Dispose of sharps device correctly.			
16. Remove gloves and perform hand hygiene.			
17. Document the procedure and patient education in medical record according to policy.			

Comments: _____

Evaluated By: _____