BLS Protocols Skills
Epi-Pen

Candidate's Name: Date: Start Time:

Evaluator's Name: Test/Retest Pass/Fail End Time:

The student will describe the therapeutic effects of the equipment/procedure -To counteract the effects of a possible allergic reaction	1	
The student will describe the indications of the equipment/procedure -Patient is exhibiting moderate or severe signs signs of an allergic reaction. -Patient has their prescribed Epinephrine Auto-injector with them. -The "5 Rights" are followed. (in cases where the prescription information is not on the device, a good faith effort of the 5 rights will be attempted prior to administration).	1	
The student will describe the "Five Rights" -Right Medication. -Prescribed to the Right Patient. -Right date (within expiration date). -Right dose. -Right route.	1	
The student will demonstrate the proper use of the equipment		
1. Scene Safe/Dons proper PPE, (gloves, mask and eye protection)	1*	
2. Checks ABC's	1*	
3. Administer O2 as indicated	1	
4. Request ALS	1*	
5. Assess lung sounds	1	
6. Obtains SAMPLE History	1	
7. Obtain history of allergic reaction	1	
8. Determines severity of reaction (identifies reaction as moderate or severe)	1	
9. Obtains patient's Epi-Pen	1	
10. Assures it is prescribed to patient	1*	
11. Assures it is in date	1*	
12. Assures it is the right dose	1	
13. Checks medication for cloudiness or discoloration	1	
14. Exposes site and cleans site with alcohol wipe	1	
15. Places Epi-Pen against lateral portion of mid-thigh and presses firmly	1	
16. Holds in place for at least ten (10) seconds	1*	
17. Records time of administration	1	
18. Properly discards Epi-Pen in sharps container	1*	
19. Verbalizes need to bring used injector to treatment facility with patient	1	
20. Reassesses patient	1*	
21. Verbalizes indications for second dose	1	
Total points possible	24	
** Denotes Critical failure if not performed*	***Minimum score of 20***	

Evaluator's Signature

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