

Beaumont Fire-Rescue Services

PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS

405.011 - Patient Assessment: Trauma

Discipline: EMT-BLS
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I. Objective

The EMT shall show how to perform a proper medical patient assessment using the criteria prescribed.

II. Instructions – Procedures for Achieving the Objective

You will explain and demonstrate the proper techniques for patient assessment. You will begin at my instruction to start. The skill will end when you have completed all of the identified steps and completed a proper medical patient assessment. Do you understand these instructions?

III. Examiner's Note

The EMT *will not* be allowed to review the performance steps at the time of evaluation.

IV. Preparation & Equipment

- A. A person to act as a patient
- B. Watch or clock which displays seconds

V. Reference Sources

- A. TDSHS EMT Skills, Patient Assessment.
- B. TDSHS Criteria Sheet, *TDSHS website*.
- C. *Brady Prehospital*, 7th edition, pages 106-108.
- D. *Brady Emergency Care*, 9th edition, pages 122-126.
- E. SOG 203.01.

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Name:	Officer#:
Evaluator:	Officer#:
Date:	Location:

If the First Responder:

- a) Takes or verbalizes appropriate BSI precautions..... 1.0 _____
- b) Determine the scene/situation is safe 1.0 _____
- c) Determine the mechanism of injury/nature of illness..... 1.0 _____
- d) Determine the number of patients 1.0 _____
- e) Request additional EMS assistance if necessary 1.0 _____
- f) Considers stabilization of the spine..... 1.0 _____
- g) Verbalizes the general impression of the patient..... 1.0 _____
- h) Determines responsiveness/level of consciousness (AVPU) 1.0 _____
- i) Determine chief complaint/apparent life threats..... 1.0 _____
- j) Airway: *Open and assesses airway (1) *Insert adjunct as indicated (1) 2.0 _____
- k) Breathing: *Assesses breathing (1) *Assures adequate ventilation (1)
*Initiates appropriate oxygen therapy (1) *Manages any injury which
may compromise breathing/ventilation (1)..... 4.0 _____
- l) Circulation: *Check pulse (1) *Assesses skin [either skin color, temperature or
condition] (1), *Assesses/controls major bleeding if present (1) *Initiates shock
management [positions patient properly, conserves body heat] (1)..... 4.0 _____
- m) Identify patient priority and make treatment/transport decision (GCS) 1.0 _____
- n) History: Attempts to obtain SAMPLE history 1.0 _____
- o) Head Assessment: *Inspects and palpates scalp (1) *Assesses eyes (1)
*Inspects mouth, nose, and assesses facial area (1) 3.0 _____
- p) Assess Neck: *Checks position of trachea (1) *Checks jugular veins (1)
*Palpates cervical spine (1) 3.0 _____
- q) Assess Chest: *Inspect chest (1) *Palpates chest (1) *Auscultates chest (1) 3.0 _____
- r) Assess Abdomen/Pelvis: *Inspect and palpate abdomen (1) *Assesses
pelvis (1) *Verbalizes assessment of genitalia/perineum as needed (1)..... 3.0 _____
- s) Assess Lower Extremities: *Inspects, palpates, and assesses motor, sensory,
and distal circulatory functions (1) 2.0 _____
- t) Assess Upper Extremities: *Inspects, palpates, and assesses motor, sensory,
and distal circulatory functions (1) 2.0 _____
- u) Assess Posterior Thorax, Lumbar and Buttocks: *Inspect and palpates
posterior thorax (1) *Inspects and palpates lumbar and buttocks area (1)..... 2.0 _____
- v) Obtains baseline vital signs [Must include BP,P and R (1)]..... 1.0 _____
- w) Manages secondary injuries and wounds appropriately 1.0 _____
- x) Demonstrates how and when to reassess the patient 1.0 _____

CRITICAL CRITERIA

- ___ Failure to initiate or call for transport of the patient within 10 minute time limit
- ___ Failure to take or verbalize appropriate body substance isolation precautions
- ___ Failure to determine scene safety
- ___ Failure to assess for and provide spinal protection when indicated
- ___ Failure to voice and ultimately provide high concentration of oxygen
- ___ Failure to assess/provide adequate ventilation
- ___ Failure to find or appropriately manage problems associated with airway, breathing, hemorrhage or shock
- ___ Failure to differentiate patient’s need for immediate transportation versus continued assessment/treatment at the scene
- ___ Performs other assessments before assessing/treating threats to airway, breathing and circulation
- ___ Failure to manage the patient as a competent EMT
- ___ Exhibits unacceptable affect with patient or other personnel
- ___ Uses or orders a dangerous or inappropriate intervention

Time Allocation

Completes skill in allotted time.....P/F ___

Allotted time for this skill: **15 minutes 0 seconds**

Actual time: _____ **minutes** _____ **seconds**

Note: Attach this page to the first.

Points Possible	Passing Score	Attempt	Performance Rating (Points)	PASS	FAIL
42	42	First			
		Second			

Medical Director’s Initials DK

Date 5/22/2015