Skills

Blood Glucose Monitoring: Nova Biomedical StatStrip Meter

Checklist

	S = 5	S = Satisfactory		U = Unsatisfactory	NP = Not Performed
Step	S	U	NP	Comments	
Completed LearningHub glucose meter e-learning course and quiz.	0	0	0		
Explained risks to patient/family when performing skin puncture; assessed understanding of procedure, purpose and gaining informed consent from patient.	0	0	0		
Verified correct patient by using two identifiers.		0			
Performed hand hygiene and donned clean gloves.	0	0			
Pressed 'Welcome' Button.					
Identified how to check battery status to ensure adequate power, and how to change the battery if necessary.					
Pressed 'Login' button and entered Operator ID.	0	0	0		

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Quality Control Test Described storage requirements and expiration dates using Quality Control (QC) vials and test strips.	0	0	0	
Wrote date of opening on vials (QC - 3 months; Test Strips - 6 months).	0		0	
Scanned QC vial and pressed 'Accept.'				
Scanned test strip vial and pressed 'Accept.'	\bigcirc			
Prepared QC solution correctly (slowly inverting vial and discarding first drop).				
Performed quality control testing using QC solutions.	\bigcirc			
Described correct action procedure when QC fails (e.g. adding comment in meter, notifying lab).				
Patient Test Review glucose monitoring order for time and frequency of measurement, and /or prn.	0	0	0	
Prepared for patient testing using proper hand hygiene.	\bigcirc		\bigcirc	
Identified correct patient using 2 identifiers.	0		0	

Step	S	U	NP	Comments
Scanned the test strip vial and pressed 'Accept.'	\bigcirc		0	
Inserted gold end of the test strip into the bottom of the meter.	0		0	
Disinfected and cleaned patient's finger. Child greater than 1 year and Adults: Clean site with appropriate antiseptic swab (i.e. alcohol) and allow it to dry completely. (Residential Care use soap and water)	0	0	0	
Described skin puncture procedure (e.g. proper identification of puncture site and use of appropriate lancet device).				
Punctured skin using lancet and discarded first drop of blood product. (Please see extended text for variations between Neonatal/Peds/Adults)	0	0	0	
Applied simulated blood product to test strip.	0	0	0	
Described how to apply gauze and add pressure to the puncture site until bleeding stops.	0			
Disposed of bio-hazardous material according to policy.	\bigcirc		\bigcirc	
Identified follow-up actions for critical unexpected results.	0		0	

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Described meter cleaning procedure.				
Removed gloves and performed hand hygiene.				
Described how to document results immediately to prevent errors including date, time and user name.				
Explained annual competency requirements: One set of QC (level 1 & level 3), 3 patient tests (simulated blood used) and quiz on LearningHub.	0	0		
Explained importance of proper placement of meter in base unit.	0		0	
Learner:		Sig	nature:	
Evaluator:		Sig	nature:	
Date:				