

## Competency Checklist: Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT)

<b>Date:</b>	
<b>Nurse's Name:</b>	
<b>Evaluator's Name:</b>	
<b>Competency:</b>	<b>Negative Pressure Wound Therapy</b>

### Indicators of Performance Level Summary

How Met		Level of Competency	
L	Review Labs	1	Below Expected Standards
V	Verbalization/Discussion	2	Fully Meets Standards
T	Test	3	Well Above Standards
D	Demonstration		

The Nurse demonstrates skills and competence in the following:	How met	Level of Competency			Evaluated by:
		1	2	3	
<b>Wound Identification</b>					
Identifies which types of wounds are appropriate for NPWT					
Identifies contraindications for NPWT					
<b>NPWT parameters</b>					
Describes appropriate frequency of dressing changes					
Describes safe pressure range for NPWT					
Describes difference between continuous and intermittent therapy					
Describes different types of packing; gauze vs. foam					
<b>Treatment</b>					
Demonstrate complete NPWT dressing change					
Demonstrate how to assess for tunneling					
State importance of removing all packing material from wound bed					
Describe how to appropriately apply packing to tunnels and undermined areas					
<b>Documentation</b>					
Type, color, and amount, of any drainage in the NPWT collection chamber					
Description of wound bed (use clock to describe location of tunnels)					
Wound measurements					
Condition of surrounding skin including wound edges					
Type of packing used and how many pieces if applicable					
Pressure range and integrity of dressing once device turned on					