



**National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians®
Paramedic Psychomotor Competency Portfolio Manual**

TRANSCUTANEOUS PACING SKILLS LAB

Student Name: _____ Date: _____

Instructor Evaluator: _____ Signature _____ Student Evaluator: _____ Signature _____

NOTE: A properly trained person must be present to supervise the practice of this skill.

SCORING	
N/A	Not applicable for this patient
0	Unsuccessful; required critical or excessive prompting; inconsistent; not yet competent
1	Not yet competent, marginal or inconsistent, this includes partial attempts
2	Successful; competent; no prompting necessary

Actual Time Started: _____	SCORE
Selects, checks, assembles equipment	
Monitor/defibrillator with pacing pads	
Medication to reduce pain or sedate patient (if necessary)	
Oxygen with appropriate administration device	
Assures adequate oxygenation and patent IV established	
Performs transcutaneous pacing	
Identifies arrhythmia and condition that requires transcutaneous pacing	
Takes or verbalizes appropriate PPE precautions	
Assesses patient condition to include pulse and BP	
Administers appropriate oxygen therapy	
Attaches pacing pads	
Assures safe environment – evaluates the risk of sparks, combustibles, oxygen-enriched atmosphere	
Activates pacemaker function of device	
Notes marker on ECG screen and adjusts amplitude until machine appropriately reads QRS complexes	
Sets appropriate pacer rate	
Sets current to be delivered to the minimum setting	
Gradually increase delivered current until capture is achieved (observes pacer spikes followed by wide QRS complexes at tall “T” waves)	
Reassesses patient condition to include pulse and BP	
Asks patient or determines known allergies (if considering medication administration)	
Administers appropriate medication to reduce pain or sedate patient (if necessary)	
Verbalizes need to continuously monitor the patient’s condition	
Affective	
Accepts evaluation and criticism professionally	
Shows willingness to learn	
Interacts with simulated patient and other personnel in professional manner	

Actual Time Ended: _____

TOTAL /44

