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**PHECC National Qualification in Emergency Medical Technology (NQEMT)
Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) Secondary Assessment Sheets**

Level 5 – Paramedic – Secondary Skills

There are eight (8) secondary stations which will be drawn randomly from the skills & objectives relating to PHECC’s Education and Training Standards.

General notes

OSCE assessment sheets for inclusion in an NQEMT examination will be available on www.phecc.ie for a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to the examination.

White text on a black background indicates either an instruction to the examiner/candidate or separates two distinct skills on the assessment sheet.

Successful completion of each OSCE requires the candidate to score 80% of each station’s elements. Critical elements, which the candidate must successfully achieve to successfully complete the station, are marked with an asterisk (*) on the assessment sheet. There are no critical elements on secondary assessment sheets.

Assessment Name: Ambulance Stretcher Positions for Pre-hospital Emergency Care
Unique Identifier: PARA_CPG_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Introduction to Pre-Hospital Emergency Care
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Candidate Number:

Assessment Date:

Candidate is read a description of the patient and will demonstrate and name the recommended ambulance stretcher position.

1st Scenario

1	Selects correct stretcher position	
2	Demonstrates correct stretcher position	

2nd Scenario

3	Selects correct stretcher position	
4	Demonstrates correct stretcher position	

3rd Scenario

5	Selects correct stretcher position	
6	Demonstrates correct stretcher position	

4th Scenario

7	Selects correct stretcher position	
8	Demonstrates correct stretcher position	

5th Scenario

9	Selects correct stretcher position	
10	Demonstrates correct stretcher position	

Preparing a patient for removal on ambulance chair

11	Assemble ambulance chair for use	
12	Explain procedure to patient	
13	Blanket chair as appropriate	
14	Ensure patient is covered appropriately	
15	Place patient on chair	
16	Ensure back of chair is being held at all times (verbalise)	
17	Secure patient with straps as appropriate	
18	Proper patient/manual handling demonstrated throughout	
19	Ensure good communication with patient throughout	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE:

Assessment Name: Trauma Patient – Secondary Survey
Unique Identifier: PARA_SSTA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Patient Assessment
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Candidate Number:

Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario.

Head

	If markers for multisystem trauma. Request ALS	
1	Assessment of scalp	
2	Assessment of ears	
3	Assessment of eyes	
4	Assessment of facial area	
5	Assessment of oral and nasal cavities	

Neck

6	Assessment of neck	
7	Assessment of trachea alignment	
8	Assessment of jugular veins distention	

Thorax

9	Inspection of thorax	
10	Palpation of thorax	
11	Auscultation of thorax	
12	Reassess ventilation status	

Abdomen/pelvis

13	Assessment of abdomen	
14	Assessment of pelvis	
15	Assessment of lumbar area	

Extremities

16	Assessment of leg one	
17	CSM assessment of leg one	
18	Assessment of leg two	
19	CSM assessment of leg two	
20	Assessment of arm one	
21	CSM assessment of arm one	
22	Assessment of arm two	
23	CSM assessment of arm two	
24	Check for medi-alert jewellery	

Vital signs/Transport

25	Re-assess vital signs (Verbalise)	
26	Re-assess transport decision (Verbalise)	
27	Verbal report of findings	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE:

Patient wearing cervical collar.

Examiner supplies clinical information as appropriate.

Assessment Name: Physiological Assessment
Unique Identifier: PARA_SSMA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Patient Assessment
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is requested to demonstrate	
Blood Pressure – Palpation	
1	Explain procedure to the patient
2	Correct placement of BP cuff
3	Palpate the radial artery
4	Inflate the cuff to at least 30mmHg above last pulse felt
5	Deflate the cuff slowly
6	Report the obtained systolic measurement
Eye reaction and size	
7	Explain procedure to the patient
8	Determine size of pupil 1
9	Determine reaction of pupil 1 to light
10	Determine reaction of pupil 2 to illumination of pupil 1
11	Determine size of pupil 2
12	Determine reaction of pupil 2 to light
13	Determine reaction of pupil 1 to illumination of pupil 2
14	State condition of pupils
Examiner will show candidate picture of pupils. Candidate to state common cause of pupil appearance	
15	Describe pupils as presented
Capillary refill	
Examiner will ensure the patient has a clean nail surface	
16	Explain procedure to the patient
17	Depress nail bed for 5 seconds
18	Upon release determine capillary refill
19	State to examiner capillary refill time
Temperature	
20	Switch on tympanic thermometer
21	Place disposable probe cover on eardrum
22	Explain procedure to patient
23	Insert thermometer into ear
24	Remove thermometer at appropriate moment
25	State patient's temperature
26	Dispose of cover in appropriate bin
Stop station	
EXAMINER NOTE:	

Assessment Name: Glucometer Use and Glucagon Preparation
Unique Identifier: PARA_GEA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Patient Assessment
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario. Glucometer use		
1	Identify appropriate site for lancing procedure	
2	Prepare selected site	
3	Allow to dry	
4	Prepare lancet	
5	Hold lancet device against site	
6	Puncture site (Simulate)	
Examiner will offer a drop of simulated blood		
7	Apply simulated blood to glucometer strip	
8	Manage resultant wound appropriately	
9	Dispose of healthcare risk waste	
10	Report blood glucose level present in sample	

Preparation of Glucagon		
11	Select glucagon pack	
12	Check seal/integrity	
13	Check expiry date (Report finding)	
14	Check syringe	
15	Check solution	
16	Check vial	
17	Remove vial lid	
18	Remove sheath from needle	
19	Insert needle into vial	
20	Inject entire contents of the syringe into vial	
21	Leaving syringe in vial, swirl vial gently (simulates dissolving Glucagon)	
22	Aspirate contents of vial into syringe	
23	Withdraw needle	
24	Remove air bubbles (verbalise)	
25	Aseptic technique used throughout	

Stop station
EXAMINER NOTE:
 Training arm/hand to be used during assessment.
 Test will be carried out on simulated blood.

Assessment Name: Pulse Oximetry, Respiratory Assessment and Peak Flow
Unique Identifier: PARA_IRA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Respiratory Emergencies
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario. Pulse oximetry		
1	Turn on pulse oximeter	
2	Ensure light emitting from probe	
3	Explain procedure to patient	
4	Attach probe to finger	
5	State SpO ₂ value	

Air entry and breath sounds		
6	Explain procedure to patient	
7	Test stethoscope (Tap diaphragm)	
8	Auscultate lung apex 1 for one breath	
9	Auscultate lung apex 2 for one breath	
10	Auscultate lung base 1 for one breath	
11	Auscultate lung base 2 for one breath	
12	Report findings	
13	Auscultate posterior chest	
14	Auscultate anterior chest	
Examiner will play the candidate a recording of an auscultation. The candidate will identify the correct lung sound		
15	Correctly identify breath sound	

Peak Flow Meter		
16	Sit patient upright	
17	Explain procedure	
18	Ensure pointer on flowmeter is returned to zero	
19	Attach disposable mouthpiece	
20	Explain procedure to the patient	
21	Ensure flowmeter is horizontal during procedure	
22	Instructs patient to exhale forcefully through device	
23	Notes reading	
24	Ensure pointer on flowmeter is returned to zero	
25	Repeats procedure twice	
26	Record highest of the readings	
Stop station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		

Assessment Name: Preparation for Intubation
Unique Identifier: PARA_AAMA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Respiratory Emergencies
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate must select, assemble and test the requested items (Examiner to request a particular size blade)

1	Choose correct size blade	
2	Assemble laryngoscope	
3	Check function (Bulb and battery)	
4	Bulb secure	

Endotracheal tube - Examiner to specify tube size

5	Select size	
6	Select syringe	
7	Check cuff patency	
8	Deflate cuff	
9	Lubricate tube aseptically (Verbalise)	
10	Aseptic technique	

Candidate is asked to identify the following equipment

11	Water soluble gel	
12	Catheter mount	
13	Magill forceps	
14	Stethoscope	
15	Oropharyngeal airway	
16	10 mL syringe	
17	Securing device or tube tie	
18	BVM	
19	Oxygen	
20	Suction equipment	
21	CO ₂ detector	
22	Stylet or Bougie	
23	Ventilator circuit assembled correctly	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE:

Assessment Name: Oxygen Therapy (Venturi or Nasal Cannula and BVM)
Unique Identifier: PARA_EOC_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Respiratory Emergencies
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is requested to Oxygen F cylinder assembly		
1	State identification markings on oxygen cylinder	
2	Identify contents gauge	
3	Identify regulator	
4	Identify flowmeter	
5	Blow-off cylinder safely	
6	Attach and secure regulator to top of cylinder	
7	Fully open cylinder valve (¼ turn backwards)	
8	State contents reading on gauge	
Examiner will request a specific flow rate		
9	Set flowmeter to rate	
10	Close cylinder valve	
11	Bleed-off oxygen in regulator	

Oxygen D or CD cylinder		
12	Identify contents gauge	
13	Identify cylinder valve	
14	Connect oxygen tubing via bayonet connection port	
15	Identify flow rate adjusting dial	

Low flow Oxygen administration - Examiner will request a specific flow rate		
16	Select appropriate delivery device	
17	Open cylinder valve	
18	Verbalise contents reading on gauge	
19	Attach oxygen mask tubing to spigot	
20	Set appropriate flow rate	
21	Monitor SpO ₂ level	
"The patient now requires ventilation. Please demonstrate the assembly of BVM circuit"		
22	Attach oxygen tubing from BVM to spigot	
23	Open cylinder valve	
24	Set flow rate to appropriate level	
25	Ensure oxygen reservoir is full	
26	Deliver ventilation at 10 per min	
Stop station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		

Assessment Name: Preparation and Application of Suction
Unique Identifier: PARA_PSMA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Respiratory Emergencies
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is requested to:		
(1) Identify the following		
1	Yankauer catheter	
2	Finger controllable inlet port	
3	Suction tubing	
4	Patient inlet	
5	Vacuum inlet	
6	Collecting canister, lid and liner	
(2) Demonstrate suction use		
7	Assess suction vacuum	
8	Attach Yankauer catheter	
9	Measure catheter for insertion depth	
10	Demonstrate catheter finger control operation to examiner	
11	Open airway	
12	Insert suction tip	
13	Observe catheter tip	
14	Apply suction as catheter withdrawn	
15	Circular motion used as suction applied	
16	State maximum time allowed for suction (Each application)	
17	Ventilate patient as appropriate (Verbalise)	
(3) Demonstrate assembly and use of a hand-held suction unit		
18	Assemble hand held suction unit	
19	Demonstrate test of unit	
Stop station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		

Assessment Name: Rhythm Identification
Unique Identifier: PARA_BLSA_S001
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Candidate Number:

Assessment Date:

The seven (7) rhythms randomly assessed in this OSCE are:
 Normal Sinus Rhythm, Sinus Bradycardia, Sinus Tachycardia, Sinus Rhythm with
 Premature Ventricular Contractions, Ventricular Fibrillation, Ventricular Tachycardia
 and Asystole.

1	Rhythm 1 (Dynamic)	
2	Rhythm 2 (Dynamic)	
3	Rhythm 3 (Dynamic)	
4	Rhythm 4 (Dynamic)	
5	Rhythm 5 (Dynamic)	
6	Rhythm 6 (Dynamic)	
7	Rhythm 7 (Dynamic)	
8	Rhythm 8 (Static)	
9	Rhythm 9 (Static)	
10	Rhythm 10 (Static)	
11	Rhythm 11 (Static)	
12	Rhythm 12 (Static)	
13	Rhythm 13 (Static)	
14	Rhythm 14 (Static)	

Interpretation of 12-lead ECG

15	Identify ECG rate	
16	Identify ECG rhythm	
17	Identify ST elevation (State lead involved)	
18	Identify ST elevation (State lead involved)	
19	Identify ST elevation (State lead involved)	
20	Identify ST elevation (State lead involved)	
21	Confirm/reject STEMI on ECG	
22	Report location of MI	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE: Each rhythm will be assessed three (3) times.

Assessment Name: Cardiac Chest Pain – Acute Coronary Syndrome
Unique Identifier: PARA_CCPACS_S001
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario. ECG monitoring	
1	Turn on cardiac monitor
2	Explain procedure to patient
3	Attach SpO ₂ (Examiner to supply percentage)
4	Oxygen therapy consideration
5	Activate ALS
6	Ensure defibrillator is activated to monitoring function
7	Apply monitoring electrode 1 appropriately
8	Apply monitoring electrode 2 appropriately
9	Apply monitoring electrode 3 appropriately
10	Apply monitoring electrode 4 appropriately
11	Ensure ECG rhythm on screen (Lead II)
12	Interpret ECG rhythm

Treating an AMI – vital signs stable	
13	Select appropriate medication (1)
14	State 6 rights of medication administration as they apply to the case
15	Rule out contraindications
16	State dose
17	Explain procedure to patient
18	Prepare medication
19	Administer medication 1 (Simulate)

Examiner supplies more clinical information	
20	Select appropriate medication (2)
21	State 6 rights of medication administration as they apply to the case
22	Rule out contraindications
23	State dose
24	Explain procedure to patient
25	Administer medication 2 (Simulate)
26	State further dosing regime for medication 2
27	Acquire 12-lead ECG (verbalise)
28	Document medication on PCR

Stop station
EXAMINER NOTE:
 Ref: CPG 5/6.4.10 Acute Coronary Syndrome.
 Apply monitoring electrode 4 – available point to be awarded if only 3 lead system available.

Assessment Name: Normal Childbirth - Pre-delivery and Delivery
Unique Identifier: PARA_PHEC_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Obstetric Emergencies
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is advised that birth is imminent.		
1	Apply plastic apron and protective eyewear	
2	Reassure patient	
3	Ascertain the gestation period (Examiner to supply)	
4	Ascertain if labour has commenced	
5	Request ALS	
6	Ascertain if waters have broken	
7	Ascertain previous number of births and previous complications	
8	Ascertain if ante-natal clinic was attended and if complications identified	
9	Identify which maternity hospital the mother is attending	
10	Check blood pressure (Verbalise)	
11	Check pulse rate (Verbalise)	
12	Measure contraction interval (Verbalise)	
13	Check if mother wants to bear down	
14	Offer Entonox® for pain relief (Verbalise)	
15	Inform control (Verbalise)	
16	Drape the patient for examination	
17	Observe for crowning or any presenting part	
18	Prepare the perineal area	
19	Place hand on baby's head to prevent an explosive delivery	
20	Check for umbilical cord around the baby's neck after the head has presented	
21	Gently direct and support the head to help deliver the upper shoulder	
22	Gently direct and support the head to help deliver the lower shoulder	
23	Hold baby securely by placing one hand under the head and neck and sliding the hand along body during delivery, grasp the feet as they present	
24	Dry baby and check ABCs (> 28 wks.) or wrap baby in polythene bag without drying (<28 wks.)	
25	Clamp and cut cord	
26	Wrap baby and present to Mother	
27	Good communication with mother throughout	
Stop station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		

Assessment Name: Helmet Removal / Cervical Collar
Unique Identifier: PARA_SIA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Trauma
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Instruction to Examiner: Intact full face helmet to be used and there is an assisting EMT. Appropriate patient assessment completed – patient is stable		
1	Perform manual immobilisation of the head and neck	
2	Explain the procedure to the patient	
3	State contraindications to moving head into neutral alignment (Verbalise)	
4	Head brought into neutral position	
5	Direct assisting EMT to undo the chinstrap	
6	Direct assisting EMT to take over in-line immobilisation of the head from the side	
7	Reposition hands so the fingers are covered around the lowered edge of the helmet	
8	Advise assisting EMT on hand changes required	
9	Good communication with assisting EMT	
10	Remove the helmet in incremental stages	
11	Minimise head movement during procedure	
12	When the helmet is removed retake manual immobilisation	
13	Head brought into neutral alignment	
14	Assisting EMT is directed to fill in dead space between head and ground with suitable material (if applicable)	

Candidate is read appropriate scenario. Cervical Collar application		
15	Requests assisting practitioner to maintain c-spine control	
16	Ensure head is in neutral position	
17	Explain procedure to patient	
18	Perform CSM assessment in all limbs (Verbalise)	
19	Measure patient for collar size	
20	Match key dimensions with collar	
21	Select collar	
22	Assemble collar	
23	Slide collar under neck	
24	Close Velcro® strap (Open and re-adjust if necessary)	
25	No unnecessary neck movement during application	
26	Perform CSM assessment in all limbs (Verbalise)	
27	Appropriately fitted collar (Correct size)	
Stop station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		

Assessment Name: Cervical Collar Application and Securing Patient to Long Board
Unique Identifier: PARA_SIA_S002
Level / Section: Paramedic / Trauma
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Examiner Note: Patient supine on the spinal board.		
Cervical Collar application		
1	Requests assisting practitioner to maintain c-spine control	
2	Ensure head is in neutral position	
3	Explain procedure to patient	
4	Perform CSM assessment in all limbs (Verbalise)	
5	Measure patient for collar size	
6	Match key dimensions with collar	
7	Select collar	
8	Assemble collar	
9	Slide collar under neck	
10	Close Velcro® strap (Open and re-adjust if necessary)	
11	No unnecessary neck movement during application	
12	Perform CSM assessment in all limbs (Verbalise)	
13	Appropriately fitted collar (Correct size)	
Examiner instructs candidate to secure the patient to the board		
14	Explain procedure to patient	
15	Placement of straps/buckles as appropriate	
16	All voids padded as appropriate	
17	Torso adequately secured	
18	Legs adequately secured	
19	Head adequately secured	
20	CSM re-assessment in all extremities (Verbalise)	
During procedure		
21	C-spine control maintained	
22	Head maintained in a neutral position	
Stop station		

Assessment Name: Cervical Collar Application and Orthopaedic Stretcher
Unique Identifier: PARA_SIA_S003
Level / Section: Paramedic / Trauma
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario.
Cervical Collar application

1	Requests assisting practitioner to maintain c-spine control	
2	Ensure head is in neutral position	
3	Explain procedure to patient	
4	Perform CSM assessment in all limbs (Verbalise)	
5	Measure patient for collar size	
6	Match key dimensions with collar	
7	Select collar	
8	Assemble collar	
9	Slide collar under neck	
10	Close Velcro® strap (Open and re-adjust if necessary)	
11	No unnecessary neck movement during application	
12	Perform CSM assessment in all limbs (Verbalise)	
13	Appropriately fitted collar (Correct size)	

Orthopaedic stretcher

14	Explain procedure to patient	
15	Place orthopaedic stretcher alongside patient	
16	Open locking pins on both sides of the orthopaedic stretcher	
17	Adjust orthopaedic stretcher beyond required length	
18	Close locking pins	
19	Shorten the stretcher until locking pins snap into place	
20	Separate stretcher into two halves	
21	Safely pass one half to other side of patient	
22	Ease side 1 under patient	
23	Ease side 2 under patient	
24	Close head end of orthopaedic stretcher first	
25	Ensure head lock snapped shut	
26	Join foot end of orthopaedic stretcher	
27	Ensure foot lock snapped shut	

During procedure

28	Candidate attempted to minimise pinching during closure of orthopaedic stretcher	
29	Minimum movement during closure of orthopaedic stretcher	
30	Adequate instruction/communication with patient during both skills	
31	Adequate instruction/communication with assisting practitioner during both skills	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE:

Assessment Name: Extrication Device
Unique Identifier: PARA_SIA_S004
Level / Section: Paramedic / Trauma
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

**Candidate is read appropriate scenario.
 Extrication device application**

1	Elicit handover from EMT crew	
2	Explain procedure to patient	
3	Move extrication device into place under arm	
4	Release leg straps	
5	Fasten/secure middle chest strap	
6	Fasten/secure bottom chest strap	
7	Fasten/secure leg strap 1 in place	
8	Fasten/secure leg strap 2 in place	
9	Fill voids around head/neck	
10	Fasten top chest strap	
11	Tighten middle chest strap	
12	Tighten bottom chest strap	
13	Tighten leg strap 1	
14	Tighten leg strap 2	
15	Secure head strap 1	
16	Secure head strap 2	
17	Tighten top chest strap	
18	Tidy all hanging straps	
19	Reassessment of CSMs (Verbalise)	

During procedure

20	Head is maintained in a neutral position	
21	Torso appropriately secured	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE:
 An EMT crew has begun to manage a stable patient; the candidate will continue treatment
 The cervical collar has been applied and in-line immobilisation is being maintained.

Assessment Name: Paediatric Pain Management
Unique Identifier: PARA_PMP_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Paediatric Emergencies
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario.	
1	Seek consent to treat from parents/caregiver
Uses age appropriate paediatric pain assessment	
2	Demonstrates use of appropriate assessment scale
3	Perform pain assessment
Examiner verbalises description of pain response. You decide to administer medication	
4	State appropriate medication option 1
5	State route
6	State appropriate dose of medication option 1
7	Assess "six rights" of medication administration prior to administration
8	State medication option 1 contra-indications
9	Indicate amount/volume of medication option 1 to be administered
Examiner verbalises increase in pain response. (4-6). You assess this to be accurate and decide to administer another medication.	
10	State child's weight
11	State appropriate medication option 2
12	State route
13	State appropriate dose of medication option 2
14	Assess "six rights" of medication administration prior to administration
15	State medication option 1 contra-indications
16	Prepare amount/volume of medication option 2 to be administered
Examiner verbalises further increase in pain response. (7-10). You assess this to be accurate and decide to administer another medication.	
17	Request ALS (Verbalise)
18	State appropriate medication option 3
19	State route
20	State appropriate dose of medication option 3
21	Assess "six rights" of medication administration prior to administration
22	State medication option 3 contra-indications
23	Prepare amount/volume of medication option 3 to be administered
24	Appropriate communication with child
Stop station	
EXAMINER NOTE: CPG- 4/5/6.7.5 Version 6, 02/14	

Assessment Name: Stridor - Paediatric
Unique Identifier: PARA_SP_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Paediatric Emergencies
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate will be read an appropriate scenario		
1	General impression	
2	Confirm absence of foreign body	
3	Assess and maintain airway	
4	Obtain SAMPLE History	
5	Assess temperature (Examiner Note: temperature is normal)	
6	Consider presence of Croup or Epiglottitis (Verbalise) (Examiner Note: confirm conditions are not present)	
7	State clinical impression	
8	Reassure patient and guardian	
9	Verbalise need for humidified O ₂	
10	Select water to be nebulised	
11	Perform appropriate checks on container	
12	Select appropriate nebuliser mask	
13	Apply sterilised water to chamber	
14	Set appropriate flow rate	
15	Attach ECG monitor	
16	Attach SpO ₂ device	
17	Verbalise transport in position of comfort	
18	Appropriate communication with patient and guardian	
Stop station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		

Assessment Name: Radio Messages / Phonetic Alphabet
Unique Identifier: PARA_MEFPOS_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Operations
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is given 1 minute to read a scenario card which can be referred to during the assessment.

1	Candidate requests to speak to control using proper radio communications		
2	Candidate informs control to standby for ASHICE Message		
3	Report "A" Age		
4	Report "S" Sex		
5	Report "H" History		
6	Report "I" Illness-Injury		
7	Report "C" Condition (Vital signs and reason for pre-alerting ED)		
8	Report "E" Estimated Time of Arrival		
9	Confirms message is understood		
Control requests candidate to spell a word used in transmission - using phonetic alphabet			
10	Letter 1		
11	Letter 2		
12	Letter 3		
13	Letter 4		
14	Letter 5		
15	Letter 6		
16	Word related correctly		
17	Candidate confirms message received		

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE:

Assessment Name: Healthcare risk waste management, glove removal, disposal and hand washing
Unique Identifier: PARA_PSMA_S002
Level / Section: Paramedic / Clinical Procedures
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read a scenario relating to a clinical incident having taken place. The candidate must "clean up/make safe" the area.

1	Scene safety	
2	Candidate selects and puts gloves on	
3	Correct sized glove selected	
4	Place sharps in the sharps box	
5	Place healthcare risk waste material in appropriate waste container	
6	Place non-healthcare risk waste into the appropriate bin	
7	Wipe contaminated surfaces/disinfect area using an appropriate cleansing agent	

Glove Removal		
8	Outside surface of the gloves not allowed to come in contact with skin during removal	
9	Glove gently removed to avoid pathogen spray	
10	Dispose of soiled gloves in the healthcare risk waste bin	

Candidate demonstrates and verbalises hand washing technique

11	Remove hand and wrist jewellery	
12	Wet hands under running water	
13	Apply soap/antiseptic soap (Press dispenser with heel of hand)	
14	Wet hands and rub palm to palm (5 times)	
15	Rub right palm over back of left hand (5 times)	
16	Rub left palm over back of right hand (5 times)	
17	Rub left fingers over back of right fingers (5 times)	
18	Rub right fingers over back of left fingers (5 times)	
19	Rub palm to palm with fingers interlaced (5 times)	
20	Rub left thumb (rotating movement) (5 times)	
21	Rub right thumb (rotating movement) (5 times)	
22	Rub tips of right fingers against opposite palm using circular movement (5 times)	
23	Rub tips of left fingers against opposite palm using circular movement (5 times)	
24	Rinse hands thoroughly	
25	Turn off taps without contaminating hands	
26	Dry hands using paper towel	
27	Discard paper towel in waste bin	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE: Reference- Handwashing information – HSE - Health Protection Surveillance Centre. <http://www.ndsc.ie/hpsc/A-Z/Gastroenteric/Handwashing/Posters/>

Assessment Name: Medication Administration
Unique Identifier: PARA_CPG_S002
Level / Section: Paramedic / Clinical Procedures
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

The candidate is read a scenario directly relating to any relevant clinical situation. The candidate then selects the appropriate medication for the situation.
 The candidate will be given two (2) separate clinical scenarios during this assessment

- Aspirin
- Chlorphemanie
- Cyclizine
- Methoxyfurane
- Glucose gel
- Glucagon
- Glyceryl Trinitrate
- Adrenaline 1:1000
- Ondanstron
- Entonox®
- Oxygen
- Ticagrelor
- Midazolam
- Salbutamol
- Paracetamol
- Clopidogrel
- Ibuprofen®
- Ipratropium bromide
- Naloxone
- Hydrocortisone

Scenario 1

1	Correct medication selection	
2	Expiry date (Verbalise)	
3	Contraindications (Verbalise)	
4	Identify appropriate dose (Verbalise)	
5	Re-confirm correct selection	
6	Identify route	
7	State potential adverse side effects (Verbalise)	
8	State repeat administration instructions (Verbalise)	
9	Record administration (Verbalise)	

Scenario 2

10	Correct medication selection	
11	Expiry date (Verbalise)	
12	Contraindications (Verbalise)	
13	Identify appropriate dose (Verbalise)	
14	Re-confirm correct selection	
15	Identify route	
16	State potential adverse side effects (Verbalise)	
17	State repeat administration instructions (Verbalise)	
18	Record administration (Verbalise)	

Stop station

EXAMINER NOTE:

Assessment Name: IM Injection - Ampoule
Unique Identifier: PARA_ARAA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Clinical Procedures
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario.		
IM injection preparation		
1	Confirm correct medication against packaging	
2	Confirm rights of medication administration	
3	Check expiry date (Verbalise)	
4	Contraindications (Verbalise)	
5	Confirm appropriate dose (Verbalise)	
6	Re-confirm correct selection	
7	State potential adverse side effects (Verbalise)	
8	State repeat administration instructions (Verbalise)	
9	Expel excess air from syringe	
IM injection Procedure		
10	Explain procedure to patient/seek consent	
11	Identify three recognised sites for IM injection to examiner	
12	Uncover the selected injection site	
13	Cleanse site	
14	Stretch the skin over injection site	
Examiner directs candidate to training aid		
15	Pierce skin/needle at 90o angle	
16	Aspirate before injecting (demonstrate and verbalise)	
17	Administer required dose	
18	Withdraw the needle and syringe	
19	Discard in a sharps container	
20	Release the skin over injection site	
21	Massage the area	
22	Document medication administration on PCR	
Stop station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		

Assessment Name: ALS Assist at a Cardiac Arrest
Unique Identifier: PARA_VOPVA_S001
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario	
1	Select required IV cannula
2	Select sharps box
3	Select alcohol wipes
4	Select dressing to secure IV
5	Select tourniquet
6	Select adhesive tape
7	Select bung
8	Select giving set
9	Identify required fluid pack
10	Ensure integrity of pack
11	Check fluid expiry date
12	Check fluid clarity
13	Confirm fluid volume
14	Secondary confirmation of above checks with practitioner (Examiner)
Prepare and prime IV line	
15	Check expiry date on giving set package (Report findings)
16	Close off the roller clamp on giving set
17	Check tubing not defective
18	Twist and remove pigtail seal from entry port
19	Remove protective sheath from the piercing spike
20	Push firmly through entry port of fluid pack
21	Half fill chamber of "giving set"
22	Open flow regulator slowly
23	Let fluid flow until it vents
24	Ensure no air bubbles in tubing
25	Close flow regulator
26	Minimum fluid loss
27	Aseptic technique used
Candidate is required to select and prepare a cardiac arrest medication	
28	Select requested medication
29	Confirm integrity of pack
30	Confirm correct medication
31	Confirm expiry date
32	Assemble medication
33	Secondary confirmation of above checks with practitioner (Examiner)
34	Document administration on PCR
Stop station	
EXAMINER NOTE:	

Assessment Name: Entonox® ID and Administration
Unique Identifier: PARA_LFA_S001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Clinical Procedures
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario. Identify to examiner

1	Cylinder markings	
2	Contents gauge	
3	Cylinder valve	
4	Demand valve	
5	Mouthpiece	
6	Supplemental flow operation	
7	Assemble cylinder and regulator	

Candidate will identify six contraindications of Entonox®

8	Contraindication 1	
9	Contraindication 2	
10	Contraindication 3	
11	Contraindication 4	
12	Contraindication 5	
13	Contraindication 6	

Candidate is read an appropriate scenario

14	State "six rights of medication" prior to administration	
15	Right 1	
16	Right 2	
17	Right 3	
18	Right 4	
19	Right 5	
20	Right 6	
21	Perform cold-related pre-administration actions	
22	Explain procedure to the patient	
23	Issue pre-administration advice	
24	Issue advice on discontinuing administration	
25	Offer mouthpiece/mask to patient	
26	Coach patient during administration	

Stop station
EXAMINER NOTE:

Assessment Name: Airway and Ventilation - CPAP
Unique Identifier: Para_AAV_P001
Level / Section: Paramedic / Clinical Procedures
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Candidate Number:	Assessment Date:

Candidate is read appropriate scenario.		
Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP)		
1	Identify component parts of CPAP equipment	
2	Check for Exclusion Criteria	
3	Select appropriate mask size	
4	Connect oxygen tubing to oxygen source	
5	Adjust oxygen pressure in accordance with device (min 5 cm H ₂ O)	
6	Explain procedure to patient	
7	Place mask on patient's face	
8	Adjust mask as appropriate	
9	Check manometer and adjust flow to achieve desired pressure (max 10 cm H ₂ O)	
10	Check for Adequate Face Seal	
Examiner states patient starts to vomit		
11	Prompt removal of mask	
12	Good communication with patient throughout	
Stop Station		
EXAMINER NOTE: It is acceptable to lower delivery pressures for simulation on the manikin		

Candidate is read appropriate scenario.		
ETCO₂		
1	Assemble equipment	
2	Turn on monitor	
3	Select appropriate ETCO ₂ device	
4	Connect ETCO ₂ device to monitor	
5	Verify adequate connection	
6	Explain procedure to patient	
7	Place ETCO ₂ device on patient	
8	Identify ETCO ₂ value on monitor	
9	Identify ETCO ₂ waveform on monitor	
10	Good communication with patient throughout	
Stop Station		
EXAMINER NOTE:		