

Physician/Dentist Support Staff  
Competency Assessment – Surgical Assistant Registered Nurse

Name of PDSS Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the appropriate boxes below

- Initial Surgical Assistant Registered Nurse Competency Assessment
- Annual Surgical Assistant Registered Nurse Competency Assessment

The functions outlined below are reviewed to ensure ongoing competence.

<u>GENERAL PRIVILEGES</u>	<u>MEETS EXPECTATIONS</u>	<u>DOES NOT MEET EXPECTATIONS*</u>
Receives and records orders as instructed by supervising provider		
Writing progress notes as instructed by supervising provider		
Writing/dictating discharge summary on patient		
Issuing discharge instruction on patient		
Reviewing patient charts		
Starting IV fluids/giving IV meds, only when assisting supervising provider with procedure		
Removing staples and/or sutures		
Removing/cutting casts		
Assisting supervising provider with diagnostic procedures		

<u>OPERATING ROOM PRIVILEGES</u>	<u>MEETS EXPECTATIONS</u>	<u>DOES NOT MEET EXPECTATIONS*</u>
Suctioning		
Appropriate utilization of sponges		
Use of retractors		
Suture skills		
Hemostasis		
Prepping/Draping patient		
Positioning/repositioning of OR lights, cameras, and other non-dissecting instruments		
Application and changing of dressings		
**Advanced Skills – Wound closure/suturing – subcutaneous tissue up through skin**		

\*If any requested item is noted as “Does Not Meet Expectations”, it is the responsibility of the sponsoring provider to address immediately. Please provide written confirmation of competency when achieved.

\*\*Must be certified and meet facility “Wound Closure” competency guidelines

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Evaluation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PDSS Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Competency Assessment is part of the annual performance appraisal.