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**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF CARDIORESPIRATORY CARE
Clinical Competency Checklist
Capillary Blood Gas Sampling**

Student Name _____ Date _____ Attempt # _____

Rating Scale: **0 = Inappropriate, no, incorrect, undone, absent**
 1 = Needs additional study and practice
 2 = appropriate, yes, correct, done, present

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>RATING</u>
1. Washes hands with antibacterial soap.	_____
2. Assures patient's identity and order for blood gas.	_____
3. Warms baby's foot by wrapping in a warm cloth or towel for 3-10 minutes.	_____
4. Secures materials for heel stick sampling (alcohol swab, sterile 2 x 2, capillary tubes, microlance, bandaid).	_____
5. Unwraps foot and checks for adequate perfusion.	_____
6. Swabs area selected for puncture with alcohol (usually outer lateral surface of heel).	_____
7. Allows alcohol to dry or dries it with sterile 2 x 2.	_____
8. Stabs cleansed area quickly with microlancet.	_____
9. Collects sample in capillary tubes. Assures good blood flow. Avoids air contamination or excessive squeezing of heel.	_____
10. After sample is collected, applies pressure dressing until blood flow ceases. Replaces pressure dressing with a bandaid.	_____
11. Transports sample to the lab for analysis.	_____

Total = _____ out of 22 % = _____ 100% proficiency required to pass

Instructor's Signature: _____

Instructor's Name: _____ Credential: _____
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Student's Signature: _____