

# **Basic Life Support (BLS) Skills Testing Checklist**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Scene Safety

□ Verbalises checking for danger at the scene

#### **Patient Assessment** Adults:

- □ Taps and shouts to check responsiveness
- □ Shouts for help/activates emergency response
- □ Checks for breathing by looking at chest, listening, and feeling
- □ Checks carotid pulse (5-10 seconds)

#### Infants:

- □ Taps soles of feet and shouts to check responsiveness
- □ Shouts for help/activates emergency response
- □ Checks for breathing by looking at chest and abdomen
- □ Checks brachial pulse (5-10 seconds)

#### **Children:**

- □ Taps and shouts to check responsiveness
- □ Shouts for help/activates emergency response
- □ Checks for breathing by looking at chest
- □ Checks carotid pulse (5-10 seconds)

#### **CPR Sequence**

□ Initiates compressions immediately after recognising cardiac arrest

#### **Adult CPR Cycle**

#### **Compressions:**

- □ Correct hand position on lower half of sternum
- □ Uses 2-handed technique
- □ Delivers 30 compressions in 15-18 seconds (100-120/min)
- □ Compresses to depth of 5-6 cm with full recoil

#### Ventilations:

- □ Opens airway adequately (head tilt-chin lift)
- □ Provides 2 breaths with barrier device, 1 second each
- □ Visible chest rise with each breath
- □ Avoids excessive ventilation
- □ Resumes compressions within 10 seconds

#### **Infant CPR Cycle Compressions:**

- Uses 2 fingers in centre of chest, just below nipples
- □ Delivers 30 compressions in same 15-18 second time frame
- □ Compresses 1/3 depth of chest, about 4 cm

#### Ventilations:

- Dpens airway adequately (head tilt-chin lift)
- □ Makes complete seal over infant's mouth and nose
- Delivers 2 breaths, 1 second each
- □ Visible chest rise with each breath
- □ Resumes compressions within 10 seconds

## **Child CPR Cycle**

### **Compressions:**

- Uses heel of 1 or 2 hands in centre of chest
- □ Delivers 30 compressions in 15-18 seconds
- □ Compresses 1/3 depth of chest, about 5 cm

#### Ventilations:

- □ Opens airway adequately (head tilt-chin lift)
- □ Provides 2 breaths with barrier device, 1 second each
- □ Visible chest rise with each breath
- □ Avoids excessive ventilation
- □ Resumes compressions within 10 seconds

#### AED Use (Adults & Children Over 1 Year Old)

- □ Powers on AED
- □ Properly attaches pads
- □ Ensures rescuers are clear before AED analyses
- □ Safely delivers shock if advised
- □ Minimises interruptions in CPR
- □ Resumes compressions immediately after shock

Result: PASS □ NEEDS REMEDIATION □

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**Skills Requiring Remediation:** 

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