

## PHLEBOTOMY PRECEPTORSHIP



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## THE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- Develop psychomotor skills
- Develop critical thinking
- Develop self-confidence
- Apply theory & skill practice



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## The Role of the Preceptor

- Role model
- Mentor
- Resource person



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## EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS

- Strive in organizing & prioritizing what needs to be done
- Grow in efficiency, coordination, confidence & independence
- Regularly review learning objectives with preceptor
- Adhere to student & facility policies...



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## STUDENT EXPECTATIONS CONTINUED...

- Provide competent, safe care
- Complete required documentation accurately
- Be open to preceptor feedback
- Be a courteous guest in the facility
- Maintain integrity



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## CRITICAL THINKING

- Ability to prioritize
- Aware of specimen integrity requirements
- Aware of required patient preparations for specimen analysis
- Aware of specific test requirements:
  - ✓ type & amount of specimen required
  - ✓ tube additives
  - ✓ order of draw



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## STRATEGIES TO PROMOTE CRITICAL THINKING

*While problem-solving patient situations:*

- Analyze options
- Anticipate outcomes
- Consider patient desires
- Elicit input
- Evaluate effectiveness of actions



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## SUPPORT THE CRITICAL ELEMENTS

The steps of a task that must be followed to promote emotional & physical well-being for the client are called the critical elements.

- Appropriate site selection
- Aseptic technique
- Specimen integrity
- Sharps management



*There are many ways a procedure can be done correctly while adhering to the critical elements.*

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## SKILL GUIDELINES

Students must be observed by their preceptor during all blood collection procedures.



Students will only perform venipuncture at the antecubital or dorsal hand sites.

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**INCIDENT REPORTS -  
STUDENT OR PATIENT**

- ✓ Complete appropriate hospital forms
- ✓ Follow facility policy
- ✓ Notify instructor
- ✓ Complete Cuesta Student Incident Report
- ✓ Be safe
- ✓ Use good judgment



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**STUDENT EVALUATIONS**

- ✓ Have evaluation forms with you
- ✓ Complete each week of preceptorship
- ✓ Review with preceptor
- ✓ Deliver completed evaluation to Cuesta each week
- ✓ Must be received for student to receive credit



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***The Ten Commandments of  
Phlebotomy***

- *Thou shalt protect thyself from injury.*
- *Thou shalt identify thy patients.*
- *Thou shalt puncture the skin at about a fifteen degree angle.*
- *Thou shalt glorify the medial vein.*
- *Thou shalt invert tubes with anitcoagulants immediately after collection.*



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***Ten Commandments...***

- *Thou shalt attempt to collect specimens only from an acceptable site.*
- *Thou shalt label specimens at the bedside.*
- *Thou shalt stretch the skin at the puncture site.*
- *Thou shalt know when to quit.*
- *Thou shalt treat all patients as if they were family.*



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