

## Procedure Competency Assessment Tool – Fine Needle Aspiration Biopsy

Provider: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Procedure:         10021 FNA Biopsy w/o Imaging     10022 FNA Biopsy with Imaging

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

How many of this procedure have you completed thus far? \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the descriptor corresponding to the candidate's performance in each category, **irrespective of the training level.**

### Indication/Informed Consent:

Novice	Competent	Expert
Not sure of the patient's history, context of the procedure, or has knowledge gaps in procedure contraindications or potential complications	Understands the general indications, contraindications, potential complications, and clinical value of procedure; able to explain to patient	Clearly articulates the clinical value, potential complications, and alternatives to patient; able to accurately answer all patient questions to obtain informed consent

### Knowledge of Specific Procedure:

Novice	Competent	Expert
Deficient knowledge; unable to articulate procedure steps	Able to articulate all important steps of procedure	Demonstrates familiarity with all aspects of procedure

### Procedure Setup:

Novice	Competent	Expert
Does not gather required supplies, poor patient positioning, poor sterile technique, or does not properly identify landmarks	Gathers key instruments and supplies; properly positions patient; identifies landmarks; maintains sterile technique	Anticipates supplies needed for unexpected complications; ergonomic setup of all instruments and supplies

### Local Anesthesia: Not Applicable

Novice	Competent	Expert
Requires guidance to provide adequate anesthesia, or target lesion obscured by anesthetic administration	Adequate anesthesia achieved without guidance	Smooth, efficient, and effective anesthetic administration without guidance or any obscuration of target

### Needle Positioning:

Novice	Competent	Expert
Does not draw air into syringe prior to insertion, corrections needed to position needle to target, or insufficient sampling technique	Draws air into syringe prior to insertion; independently positions and directs needle to target; adequate sampling technique using several passes into lesion from multiple directions	Easily and independently positions and directs needle to target lesion with adequate but efficient sampling

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**Procedure Flow and Efficiency:**

Novice	Competent	Expert
Frequently stops procedure and seems unsure of next move; many unnecessary moves	Demonstrates some forward planning with reasonable progression of procedure; efficient time/motion but some unnecessary moves	Obviously plans course of procedure with effortless flow from one move to the next; clear economy of movement and maximum efficiency

**Ultrasound: [ ] Not Applicable**

Novice	Competent	Expert
Unsure of orientation and alignment of transducer, how to optimize image, or difficulty identifying key structures	Properly orients and scans with the transducer to acquire images needed; identifies key structures	Rapidly acquires optimal images (gain, depth, etc.) to visualize and guide needle to target lesion

**Specimen Handling:**

Novice	Competent	Expert
Loses specimen within syringe, or unsure of where to place specimen	Places specimen into proper collection container or medium	Precise and directed specimen handling

**Management of Complications: [ ] Not Applicable**

Novice	Competent	Expert
Does not recognize or appropriately address developing complication, or does not appropriately halt procedure with failed attempts	Recognizes and appropriately addresses developing complication; halts the procedure appropriately	Immediately recognizes developing complication; manages with precise direction and without hesitation

**Overall on this task did the provider demonstrate competency to perform this procedure independently?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:**

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**Attending Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature/Date:** \_\_\_\_\_