Skill Guide

Date: _____

(CPI) = Critical Performance Indicator

Candidate: _____

Start Tme: _____

End Time: _____

Managing an Open Chest Wound

Objective: To demonstrate the proper management of an open chest wound.

Skill	Max Points	Skill Demo	
Determines the scene is safe.	1		(CPI)
Introduces self and obtains permission to help/treat.	1		
Initiates Standard Precautions.	1		(CPI)
Assesses the ABCDs, controls any bleeding.	1		
Stabilizes the cervical spine if injury is trauma induced.	1		
Exposes the chest.	1		(CPI)
Palpates entire chest checking for tenderness/deformities.	1		
Applies an occlusive dressing and tape according to local protocol if sucking chest wound is present.	1		(CPI)
Applies high flow oxygen via nonbreather.	1		(CPI)
Treats for shock and maintains body temperature.	1		(CPI)
Loads patient onto long spine board.	1		
Readjusts occlusive dressing tape according to local protocol.	1		
Transports patient and transfers to EMS personnel.	1		

Must receive 11 out of 13 points.

Comments: _____

Failure of any of the CPIs is an automatic failure.

Evaluator: _____ NSP ID: _____

PASS   FAIL