

# Life Support Skills

Emergency Preparedness Event .....

Eligible Divisions: Secondary Members	Round 1: Skill demonstration	Digital Upload: NO
Solo Event: 1 competitor	IEP Required	Accommodation Form Required

### New for 2024 - 2025

The AMA: How to Administer Naloxone has been retired. Slow or shallow breathing has been added as an indication to administer Naloxone. The Administer Epinephrine Pen skill has been renamed to Administer Auto-Inject EpiPen. Editorial updates have been made.

### **TEXAS HOSA**

Make sure to read TEXAS General Rules and Regulations for updated "Electronic Device Policies" and "Extended Stay Preparation".

### **Area Spring Leadership Conference**

For the in-person at the Area Spring Leadership Conference.

- An "IEP Verification Form" must be uploaded before attending the Area Spring Leadership Conference.
- Top three (3) scores from each Area will advance to State

### Texas State Leadership Conference

- No IEP upload required; Texas HOSA will be using the one submitted for Area.
- State will be in person at Kalahari in Round Rock and ran just like Area.
- Top three (3) scores from State will advance to ILC

### **Event Summary**

Life Support Skills provides HOSA members with the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills required for basic life support. This competitive event consists of evaluating members' performance through a skills assessment. This event aims to inspire members to be proactive future health professionals and be equipped with the skills to provide immediate, life-saving actions in the absence of emergency services. This event is specifically for HOSA members who are classified under IDEA.

### **Dress Code**

Bonus points will be awarded for proper dress.

Competitors are required to wear attire appropriate to the occupational area.

### **IEP Events**

Four (4) events in the HOSA Competitive Event Program are designed for students classified with an IEP. The events are **Interviewing Skills**, **Personal Care**, **Life Support Skills**, **and Speaking Skills** 

**Participation Eligibility:** To participate in these four events, the competitor MUST be classified under the provision of the 2004 reauthorized Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Students classified under Section 504 are NOT eligible to compete in this event.

**IEP Verification and Accommodation:** This form must be completed by all competitors in these four (4) events to be eligible for ILC competition. This form also allows the competitor to request accommodations. To learn the definition of an accommodation, please read Appendix H.

**Point Deduction:** If the competitor does not submit <u>this form</u> by the May15 deadline, then the competitor will be allowed to compete but will receive 35 penalty points. Points will be deducted in Tabulations.

**Deadline:** The deadline for ILC is May 15 midnight EST. Check with your Local/State Advisor (or state website) to determine the deadline for any regional and/or state conferences.

### **Competitor Must Provide:**

- <u>Eliqibility form</u> (submitted by state deadline per state's process AND digitally submitted for ILC prior to May 15<sup>th</sup>)
- Photo ID

### General Equipment to be provided by competitors in a first aid kit or bag:

- Cravats (2) (Defined as strips of cloth, triangular bandages folded into strips, roller gauze, or other similar material to tie or anchor splints in place.)
- Bandaging materials as selected by competitor (should include sterile gauze squares, roller bandages, trauma dressing and non-stick sterile dressing)
- Mouth-to-mask device (adult and infant)
- Biohazard bag
- Hand sanitizer
- Cell phone (for simulating 911 call)
- One pair of bandage scissors
- Adhesive tape (2)
- PPE: 4 pair of nonlatex gloves,
- Tourniquet HOSA will provide a tourniquet, OR the competitor has the option of providing their own tourniquet.

#### **General Rules**

1. Competitors must be familiar with and adhere to the General Rules and Regulations.

#### Official References

- 2. The below references are used in the development of skill rating sheets:
  - a. American Red Cross. Basic Life Support. Latest edition.
  - b. American Red Cross. First Aid/CPR/AED. Latest edition.
  - c. American Heart Association. BLS Provider Manual. Latest Edition.
  - d. American Heart Association. Heartsaver First Aid. Latest Edition.
  - e. <u>Simmers, L., Simmers-Narker, Simmers-Kobelak</u>. *DHO: Health Science*. Cengage Learning, <u>Latest edition</u>.

### **Skills Assessment**

3. Each competitor will be evaluated on their performance on selected skill(s). All competitors will be evaluated on one of the CPR Skills and one of the first aid skills. The skills will not be combined.

The skills approved for this event are:

CPR SKIIIS		
Skill I:	Adult BLS/CPR	6 minutes
Skill II:	Adult BLS with AED	8 minutes
Skill III:	Infant BLS/CPR	6 minutes
First Aid Skill	's	
Skill IV:	Administer Auto-inject Epi Pen	_ 3 minutes
Skill V:	Severe Bleeding	5 minutes
Skill VI - A:	Choking (ARC)	3 minutes
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Skill VI - B:	Choking (AHA)	3 minutes
Skill VII:	Open Fracture and Splinting	6 minutes
Skill VIII:	Heat-Related Emergency	5 minutes
Skill IX:	Severe Burn	6 minutes
Okiii i/k.	Corole Balli	o minutes
Skill X:	Administer Naloxone (Nasal Spray NARCAN)	3 minutes
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- 4. The selected skill(s) in the form of a written scenario will be read to the competitor at the start of the skill to be performed. The timing for the skill will begin when the section leader finishes reading the scenario to the competitor. Timing will be stopped at the end of the time allowed. A sample scenario can be found here.
- 5. The scenario is a secret topic. Competitors MAY NOT discuss or reveal the secret topic until after the event has concluded or will face penalties per the GRRs.
- 6. Judges will provide information to competitors as directed by the rating sheets. Competitors may ask questions of the judges while performing skills if the questions relate to the patient's condition and will be included in the scenario or judge script.

### **Final Scoring**

- 7. The competitor must earn a score of 70% or higher on the combined skill(s) of the event to be recognized as an award winner at the ILC.
- 8. In case of a tie, the selected skill with the highest possible point value will be used as the tiebreaker; others as necessary in descending order of total point value.
- 9. If the competitor does not complete the <u>Eliqibility Form</u> by the deadline, then the competitor will be allowed to compete but will receive 35 penalty points. Points will be deducted in Tabulations.

**Note:** HOSA follows **American Heart Association (AHA) OR American Red Cross (ARC)** guidelines for healthcare providers. Competitors can choose which organization's protocols to follow. Where steps differ between organizations the competitors will have the option of following either of the steps (see rubrics). Competitors will notify judges which organization's protocols they are using before beginning a skill. CPR feedback devices will not be used for ILC competition.

Section #	Division:	SS	PS/Collegiate
Competitor #	Judge's Signatu	ıre	
This skill involves a single health provider in a	remote location. The rescue	r has access to a f	irst aid kit and cell phone, but
there is no AED available.			

Skill I:	Adult BLS/CPR (Time: 6 minutes)	Possible	Awarded
1.	Verified scene safety and identified which resource being used (ARC or AHA).	2 0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2 0	
3.	Determined unresponsiveness: tapped or gently shook shoulder, shouted "Are you OK?"  * Judge states, "Patient is not responsive."	2 0	
4.	Shouted for nearby help to activate the emergency response system.  * Judge states, "AED is not available."	2 0	
5.	Called emergency response system and stated:  a. Caller's name, location and phone number.	2 (	)
	b. Situation, number and condition of patient(s).	2 (	)
	c. Hung up when instructed by dispatcher to do so. (Verbalized that dispatcher told them it was ok to hang up).	2 (	)
6. (AHA)	Checked to see if the patient has normal breathing and a pulse for no less than 5 and no more than 10 seconds.  a. Checked for breathing by scanning the patient's chest for rise and	2 0	
(ARC)	fall. OR  a. Opened the airway to a past-neutral head position using the head-tilt/chin-lift technique; or, use the modified jaw-thrust maneuver if head, neck, or spine injury is suspected. Simultaneously checked for breathing and pulse for no more than 10 seconds.		
* Judg	<ul> <li>b. Performed a pulse check by locating the carotid pulse (using 2 or more fingers and sliding the fingers into the groove between the trachea and the muscles at the side of the neck).</li> <li>e states, "Not breathing." or "Not breathing normally" and "No pulse".</li> </ul>	2 0	

HOSA Life Support Skills ILC Guidelines (August 2024)

The expectation is that competitors read and are aware of all content within these guidelines and associated links. Successful competitors will study all links for detailed information.

Skill I	Adult BLS/CPR (con't)	Possible	Awarded
7.	Initial Chest Compressions (30) a. Positioned self at the patient's side.	2 0	
	b. Removed bulky clothing from patient's chest or moved bulky clothing out of the way.	2 0	
	c. Made sure patient is lying face up on a firm, flat surface.	2 0	
	d. Put the heel of one hand on the center of the patient's chest on the lower half of the breastbone.	2 0	
	e. Put the heel of the other hand on top of the first hand.	2 0	
	f. With arms straight, positioned shoulders directly over hands.	2 0	
	g. Provided chest compressions at a rate of 100 – 120/min, delivering 30 compressions in 15 to 18 seconds.	2 0	
	h. Compressions performed at a depth of at least 2 inches (5 cm).	2 0	
	i. Counted compressions aloud.	2 0	
	j. At the end of each compression, allowed the chest to recoil.	2 0	
8.	Initial Breaths  a. Placed the mouth-to-mask device on the patient's face, using the bridge of the nose as a guide for correct position.	2 0	
9.	Sealed mask.  a. Used hand closest to the top of the patient's head, placed index finger and thumb along the top edge of the mask.	r 2 0	
	b. Placed the thumb of other hand along the bottom edge of the mask.	2 0	
	c. Placed the remaining fingers of second hand along the bony margin of the jaw and lifted the jaw performing a head tilt-chin lift to open the airway.	f 2 0	
	d. While lifting the jaw, pressed firmly and completely around the outside edge of the mask to seal the pocket mask against the face.	2 0	
	e. Simulated breath by stating "Breath, Breath". (Verbalized breaths are for 1 second each while observing for chest rise.	2 0	
10. * <b>Jud</b> ę	Completed 5 cycles (about 2 minutes) of 30 compressions and 2 simulated breaths with minimal interruptions.  ye states, "EMS has arrived and has taken over care of the patient".	2 0	

	Skill I: Adult BLS/CPR (con't)	Possi	ble	Awarded
11.	Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2	0	
12.	Gave information about patient to EMS rescuers.	4	0	
13.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.	2	0	
14.	Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.	2	0	
15.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2	0	
_	TOTAL POINTS - SKILL I 70% Mastery for Skill I = 44.8		4	

Section #	Division:	SS	PS/Collegiate
Competitor #	Judge's Signatu	ire	_
* This skill involves a single health provide	der with AED available. The rescuei	r has access to a	first aid kit, cell phone, and AED.

Skill II: Adult BLS/CPR with AED (Time: 8 minutes)		sible	Awarded
<ol> <li>Verified scene safety and identified which resource being used (ARC or AHA).</li> </ol>	2	0	
2. Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2	0	
Determined unresponsiveness: tapped or gently shook shoulder, shouted "Are you OK?"  * Judge states, "Patient is not responsive."	2	0	
<ol> <li>Shout for nearby help to activate the emergency response system.</li> <li>* Judge states, "AED is available."</li> </ol>	2	0	
<ul><li>5. Called emergency response system and stated:</li><li>a. Caller's name, location and phone number.</li></ul>	2	0	
b. Situation, number and condition of patient(s).	2	0	
<ul> <li>c. Hung up when instructed by dispatcher to do so. (Verbalized that dispatcher told them it was ok to hang up).</li> </ul>	2	0	
6. Checked to see if the patient has normal breathing and a pulse for no less than 5 and no more than 10 seconds.  (AHA) a. Check for breathing by scanning the patient's chest for rise and fall OR  (ARC) a. Opened the airway to a past-neutral head position using the head-tilt/chin-lift technique; or, use the modified jaw-thrust maneuver if head, neck or spine injury is suspected. Simultaneously checked for breathing and pulse for no more than 10 seconds.	2	0	
<ul> <li>b. Performed a pulse check by locating the carotid pulse (using 2 or more fingers and sliding the fingers into the groove between the trachea and the muscles at the side of the neck).</li> <li>* Judge states, "Not breathing" OR "Not breathing normally" AND "No pulse".</li> </ul>	2	0	
7. Initial Chest Compressions (30)			
a. Positioned self at the patient's side.	2	0	
<ul> <li>Removed bulky clothing from patient's chest or moved bulky clothing out of the way.</li> </ul>	2	0	
c. Made sure the patient is lying face up on a firm, flat surface.	2	0	
d. Put the heel of one hand on the center of the patient's chest on the lower half of the breastbone.	2	0	
e. Put the heel of the other hand on top of the first hand.	2	0	
f. With arms straight, positioned shoulders directly over hands.	2	0	

;	Skill II: Adult BLS/CPR with AED (con't)	Possible		Awarded
	g. Provided chest compressions at a rate of 100 – 120/min, delivering 30 compressions in 15 to 18 seconds.	2	0	
	h. Compressions performed at a depth of at least 2 inches (5 cm).	2	0	
	i. Counted compressions aloud.	2	0	
	j. At the end of each compression, allowed the chest to recoil.	2	0	
8.	Initial Breaths  a. Placed the mouth-to-mask device on the patient's face, using the bridge of the nose as a guide for correct position.	2	0	
9.	Sealed the mask on the patient's face.  a. Used the hand that is closer to the top of the patient's head and placed index finger and thumb along the top edge of the mask.	2	0	
	<ul> <li>Placed the thumb of the other hand along the bottom edge of the mask.</li> </ul>	2	0	
	<ul> <li>Placed the remaining fingers of the second hand along the bony margin of the jaw and lifted the jaw performing a head tilt-chin lift to open airway.</li> </ul>	2	0	
	d. While lifting the jaw, pressed firmly and completely around the outside edge of the mask (with the fingers) to seal the mask against the face.	2	0	
	e. Simulated breath by stating "Breath, Breath". (Verbalized breaths are for 1 second each while observing for chest rise.)	2	0	
10. ludge s	Continued cycles of 30 compressions and 2 simulated breaths with minimal interruptions until states, "AED has arrived". Competitor provided AED by the judge.	2	0	
11.	Opened case and powered on AED.	2	0	
12.	Peeled backing away from the AED pads and attached to patient's bare chest following the placement diagrams on the pad.	2	0	
13.	Attached the AED connecting cables if not preconnected.	2	0	
14.	Cleared patient and allowed AED to analyze.	2	0	
15.	If AED advised a shockable rhythm, cleared patient again by looking and loudly stating, "all clear" and delivered shock.	2	0	
16.	If no shock is advised, or immediately after any shock is delivered, resumed CPR beginning with chest compressions.  * Judge states, "EMS has arrived and has taken over care of the patient".	2	0	
17.	Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2	0	
	Gave information about patient to EMS rescuers (judge).	4	0	
18.		2	0	
18. 19.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.			

Skill II: Adult BLS/CPR with AED (con't)	Possible	Awarded
21. Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2 0	
TOTAL POINTS - SKILL II	76	
70% Mastery for Skill II = 53.2		

Section #	Division:	_SS
Competitor #	Judge's Signature	

This skill involves a single health provider in a remote location. The rescuer has access to first aid kit and cell phone, but there is no AED available.

Skill III: Infa	nt BLS/CPR (Time: 6 minutes)	Poss	sible	Awarded
1.	Verified scene safe and identified which resource being used (ARC or AHA).	2	0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2	0	
3. * <b>Jud</b> g	Determined unresponsiveness (tapping heel) & shouting for help.  ge states, "Patient is not responsive."	2	0	
4. * <b>Jud</b> g	Shouted for help.  ye states, "There is no response and AED is not available."	2	0	
5. (AHA) (ARC)	Checked to see if the patient has normal breathing and a pulse for no less than 5 and no more than 10 seconds.  a. Checked for breathing by scanning the patient's chest for rise and fall.  OR  b. Placed the infant head in neutral position (avoided hyperextension or placing fingers on the soft tissues under the chin or neck).	2	0	
*Judge states AND "no puls	c. Performed a pulse check by feeling for brachial pulse (place 2 or 3 fingers on the inside of the upper arm, midway between the infant's elbow & shoulder).  "Not breathing" OR "Not breathing normally" e".	2	0	
6.	Initial Chest Compressions (30)  a. Positioned self at the patient's side.	2	0	
	b. Made sure patient is lying face-up on a firm, flat surface.	2	0	
,	A) c. Used thumb-encircling hands by placing fingers or thumbs in the center of the infant's chest just below the nipple line on the lower half of the breastbone.  OR  ) c. Used 2-finger technique or thumb-encircling hands	2	0	

Skill I	III: Infant BLS/CPR (con't)	Possible	Awarded
1	<ul> <li>d. Provided compressions at least 1/3 the depth of the chest or</li> <li>½ inches (4 cm) at a rate of 100-120/min, delivering 30 compressions in 15 to 18 seconds.</li> </ul>	2 0	
	e. Counted compressions aloud.	2 0	
	f. At the end of each compression, allowed the chest to recoil.	2 0	
7.	Initial Breaths  a. Placed the mouth-to-mask device on the patient's face, using the bridge of the nose as a guide for correct position.	2 0	
	<ul> <li>Opened airway adequately by placing the infants head in a neutral position.</li> </ul>	2 0	
	c. Simulated breath by stating "Breath, Breath".	2 0	
8. * <b>Jud</b> g	Continued cycles of 30 compressions and 2 simulated breaths with minimal interruptions for two minutes ge states, "no response after two minutes"	2 C	
9.	Called emergency response system and stated:  a. Caller's name, location and phone number.	2 0	
	b. Situation, number and condition of patient(s).	2 0	
	c. Hung up when instructed by dispatcher to do so. (Verbalized that dispatcher told them it was ok to hang up).	2 0	
10. * Judge states	Resumed and continued cycles of 30 chest compressions and 2 breaths with minimal interruptions until EMS arrives.  s, "EMS has arrived and has taken over care of the patient".	2 C	
11.	Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2 0	
12.	Gave information about the patient to EMS rescuers (judge).	4 0	
13.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.	2 C	

Skill III: Infant BLS/CPR (con't)		Poss	ible	Awarded
14.	Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.	2	0	
15.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2	0	
	INTS – SKILL III ry for Skill III = 36.4	52	2	

Section #	Division:	SS	PS/Collegiate
Team #	Judge's Signatur	e	
Note: The patient has an auto-	inject epi-pen with them. The scer	ario will includ	e if bystanders are present, and the
competitor will have the option	of calling 911 or instructing a hysta	nder to do so	

	IV: Administer Auto Inject Epi Pen	Possible	Awarded
1.	Verified scene safety.	2 0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2 0	
3. Judge	Checked for responsiveness and breathing. e states, "patient is responsive and breathing".	2 0	
4.	Introduced self and asked for permission to help.  * Patient consents to treatment.	2 0	
	Quickly assessed the situation. (Asked what happened.) te states, "the patient has been exposed to an allergen and has an epinephrine pen hem and requires help with administration".	2 0	
6.	Instructed bystander to contact Emergency Medical Services (judge) or contacted Emergency Medical Services themselves.	2 0	
7.	Looked for medical information jewelry.	2 0	
8.	Obtained auto inject epi pen from patient.	2 0	
9.	Read instructions on pen to determine how long injector is held in place.	2 0	
10.	Held the auto inject epi pen in fist.	2 0	
11.	Removed safety cap.	2 0	
12.	Held leg firmly in place.	2 0	
13.	Pressed the tip of the injector hard against the side of the patient's thigh, about halfway between the hip and the knee.	2 0	
14.	Held the injector in place for recommended time per manufacturer's instructions (found on side of the ejector).	2 0	
15.	Pulled the pen straight out, making sure they do not touch the end that was pressed to the skin.	2 0	
16.	Instructed patient to rub for 10 seconds; OR rubbed site for 10 seconds if patient is unable to.	2 0	

Skill I	V: Administer Auto Inject EpiPen Cont'd	Possible	Awarded
17.	Verbalized the time of the injection.	2 0	
	Assess any change in status. ge states, "symptoms have improved" OR "EMS has arrived and has taken over care patient."	2 0	
19.	Gave the used auto-injector to EMS (judge) for proper disposal.	2 0	
20.	Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2 0	
21.	Gave information about patient to EMS rescuers (judge) including time of injection.	4 0	
22.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.	2 0	
23.	Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.	2 0	
24.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2 0	
	L POINTS – SKILL IV Mastery for Skill IV = 35	50	

Section #	Division:	_SS
Competitor #	Judge's Signature	

Skill V	: Severe Bleeding (leg or arm) and Shock (Time: 5 minutes)	Possi	ble	Awarded
1.	Verified scene safety.	2	0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2	0	
3.	Checked for responsiveness and breathing.	2	0	
4.	Introduced self and asked for permission to help.  * Patient consents to treatment.	2	0	
5.	Quickly assessed the situation. (Asked what happened, noted bleeding.)	2	0	
6.	Looked for medical information jewelry.	2	0	
7.	Called Emergency Medical Services and stated: a. Caller's name, location and phone number.	2	0	
	b. Situation, number and condition of patient(s).	2	0	
	c. Hung up when instructed to by dispatcher. (Verbalized that dispatcher told them it is OK to hang up.)	2	0	
8.	Placed dressing on the bleeding area.	2	0	
9.	Applied direct pressure over the dressing using the heel of hand with the other hand stacked on top of the first.	2	0	
10.	Direct pressure was: a. firm	2	0	
	b. steady	2	0	
	c. constant	2	0	
	ge states, "Wound is still bleeding and EMS has been delayed".  Applied tourniquet (use of manikin arm or pool noodle to demonstrate ation of tourniquet).	-		
11.	Applied tourniquet.  a. Applied 2 to 3 inches above the bleeding site on the patient's arm or leg (not on a joint).	2	0	

Skill V: Severe Bleeding (leg or arm) and Shock (con't)		Possible	Awarded
b. Pulled the free end of the tourniquet making it as tight as possible a secured it.	nd	2 0	
c. Twisted the windlass as tight as possible until the bleeding stopped.		2 0	
d. Secured the windlass.		2 0	
e. Noted the time the tourniquet was applied (this can be verbalized).		2 0	
12. Treated patient for shock a. Helped the patient lie on their back.		2 0	
b. Covered the patient to keep them warm.  Judge states, "EMS has arrived".		2 0	
Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient are other personnel.	nd	2 0	
14. Gave information about patient to EMS rescuers (judge).		4 0	
15. Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves w bare hands.	vith	2 0	
16. Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.		2 0	
17. Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.		2 0	
TOTAL POINTS - SKILL V 70% Mastery for Skill V = 37.8		54	

Section #	Division:	SS
Competitor #	Judge's Signature	

<sup>\*</sup> The patient will be sitting or standing and is NOT pregnant or very large.

Skill minu	VI-A: Choking – American Red Cross (ARC) (Time: 3 tes)	Possible	Awarded
1.	Identified which resource being used (ARC or AHA) and observed a patient with signs of severe airway obstruction. (Verbalized, for the judges, the signs of severe airway obstruction that were observed.)	2 0	
2.	Asked the patient if they are choking. Asked "can I help you"?  * Patient nods head yes but cannot talk.	2 0	
3.	Delivered simulated back blows  a. Positioned self to the side and slightly behind the patient.	1 0	
	<ul> <li>b. Provided support by placing one arm diagonally across the patient's chest.</li> </ul>	1 0	
	c. Bent the patient forward at the waist so the upper body is as close to parallel with the ground as possible.	1 0	
	d. Using the heel of the hand, gave 5 firm back blows between scapulae; made each blow a separate and distinct attempt to dislodge the object.	1 0	
4.	Stood or kneeled behind the patient and wrapped arms around the patient's waist	2 0	
5.	Made a fist with one hand.	2 0	
6.	Placed the thumb side of fist against the patient's abdomen, in the midline, slightly above the navel and well below the breastbone.	2 0	
7. *Ju	Alternated 5 back blows with 5 abdominal thrusts (simulated).  dge states, "Object is expelled."	2 0	
8.	Instructed the patient to seek immediate medical attention.	2 0	
<b>Sum</b> r 9.	mary Steps Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2 0	

Skill VI-A: Choking – American Red Cross (ARC) Cont'd	Possible	Awarded
10. Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2 0	
TOTAL POINTS - SKILL VI 70% Mastery for Skill VI = 15.4	22	

Section #	Division:	_SS
Competitor #	Judge's Signature	

The patient will be sitting or standing and is NOT pregnant or very large.

	Skill VI-B: Choking American Heart Association (AHA) (Time: 3 minutes)		sible	Awarded
1.	Identified which resource being used (ARC or AHA) and observed a patient with signs of severe airway obstruction. (Verbalized, for			
	the judges, the signs of severe airway obstruction that were observed.)	2	0	
2.	Asked the patient if they are choking. Asked "can I help you"?	2	0	
	* Patient nods head yes but cannot talk.			
3.	Stood or kneeled behind the patient and wrapped arms around the patient's waist	2	0	
4.	Made a fist with one hand.	2	0	
5.	Placed the thumb side of fist against the patient's abdomen, in the midline, slightly above the navel and well below the breastbone.	2	0	
6.	Grasped fist with other hand and <u>SIMULATED</u> pressing fist into the patient's abdomen with a quick, forceful upward thrust. (DO NOT actually perform an abdominal thrust on the patient for this scenario.)	3	0	
7.	Repeated thrusts ( <b>SIMULATED</b> ) until object is expelled from the airway, giving each new thrust with a separate, distinct movement to relieve the obstruction.	3	0	
* Judg	ge states, "Object is expelled."			
8.	Instructed patient to seek immediate medical attention.	2	0	
Sumn	nary Steps			
9.	Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2	0	
10.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2	0	
TOTAL POINTS - SKILL VI 70% Mastery for Skill VI = 15.4		2	2	

Section #	Division:	_SS
Competitor #	Judge's Signature	

Skill	Skill VII: Open Fracture and Splinting (6 minutes)		Awarded
1.	Verified scene safety.	2 0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2 0	
3.	Checked for responsiveness and breathing.	2 0	
4.	Introduced self and asked for permission to help. * Patient consents to treatment.	2 0	
5.	Looked for any signs of injury (noted deformities, limited motion, loss of motion, pain, tenderness, swelling, discoloration, and bone fragments protruding through the skin).	2 0	
6.	Looked for medical information jewelry.	2 0	
7.	Called Emergency Medical Services and stated: a. Caller's name, location and phone number.	2 0	
	b. Situation, number and condition of patient(s).	2 0	
	c. Hung up when instructed to by dispatcher. (Verbalized that dispatcher told them it is OK to hang up.)	2 0	
8.	Found object that can be used to prevent arm or leg from moving (rolled up towels, magazine, pieces of wood).	1 0	
9.	Covered broken skin with clean or sterile cloth.	2 0	
10.	Applied splint.  a. Splint supported the joint above and below the injury.	2 0	
	b. Splint was longer than the injured area.	2 0	
	c. Secured the splint to the injured body part so that it supported the injured area using tape, gauze or cloth to secure it. If hard splint is used padded the splint.	2 0	
11.	Checked to be sure the splint was not too tight by putting two fingers between the splint and injured body part.	2 0	

Skill	Skill VII: Open Fracture and Splinting Cont'd		ible	Awarded
12. * <b>Jud</b>	Encouraged patient to keep the limb still.  ge states, "The EMS has arrived."	1	0	
13.	Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2	0	
14.	Gave information about patient to EMS rescuers (judge).	4	0	
15.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.	2	0	
16.	Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.	2	0	
17.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2	0	
	TOTAL POINTS – SKILL VII 70% Mastery for Skill VII = 29.4		2	

Section #	Division:	SS
Competitor #	Judge's Signature	

Skill	VIII: Heat-Related Emergency (Time: 5 minutes)	Poss	sible	Awarded
1.	Verified scene safety.	2	0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2	0	
3.	Checked for responsiveness and breathing.	2	0	
4.	Introduced self and asked for permission to help. * Patient consents to treatment.	2	0	
5.	Quickly assessed the situation. (Asked what happened.)	2	0	
6.	Looked for medical information jewelry.	2	0	
7.	Observed patient closely for signs and symptoms of heat exposure. Information may be obtained directly from patient or observers.	2	0	
8.	Called Emergency Medical Services and stated: a. Caller's name, location and phone number.	2	0	
	b. Situation, number and condition of patient(s)	2	0	
	c. Hung up when instructed to by dispatcher. (Verbalized that dispatcher told them it is OK to hang up.)	2	0	
9.	Correctly verbalized to judge if patient has heat exhaustion or heat stroke. If heat exhaustion move to step #10; if heat stroke skip to step #11.	4	0	
10.	HEAT EXHAUSTION  a. Moved the patient to a cool area (if possible).	2	0	
	b. Helped the patient lie down.	2	0	
	c. Verbalized removed as much of the patient's clothing as possible.	2	0	
	d. Cooled the patient with cool water spray. (If not available - placed cool, wet cloths on the neck, armpits and groin.)	2	0	

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* Jude	e states, "Patient is conscious."			
	Skill VIII: Heat-Related Emergency (con't)			Awarded
*Judg	e. Gave small sips of juice, sports drink, or water (4oz every 15min)  *Judge states, "EMS has arrived".			
11.	HEAT STROKE  a. Immediately moved patient to cool area (if possible).	2	0	
	b. Removed excessive clothing.	2	0	
	c. Reminded patient to limit their physical activity.	2	0	
	d. Placed in cool water up to their neck. (if not possible, spray with cool water)	2	0	
*Judg	e. Observed patient for signs of unresponsiveness or not breathing normally and initiated CPR if indicated.  e states, "EMS has arrived".	2	0	
<b>Sumn</b> 12.	Summary Steps  12. Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.		0	
13.	Gave information about the patient to EMS rescuers (judge).	4	0	
14.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.	2	0	
15.	Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.	2	0	
16.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2	0	
	L POINTS SKILL VIII lastery for Skill VIII = 32.2	4	16	

Section #	Division:	SS
Competitor #	Judge's Signature	

Skill I)	C: Severe Burn (6 minutes)	Possil	ole	Awarded
1.	Verified scene safety and identified which resource being used (ARC or AHA).	2	0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2	0	
3.	Checked for responsiveness and breathing.	2	0	
4.	Introduced self and asked for permission to help. * Patient consents to treatment.	2	0	
5.	Quickly assessed the situation. (Asked what happened, noted burn.)	2	0	
6.	Looked for medical information jewelry.	2	0	
7.	Called Emergency Medical Services and stated: a. Caller's name, location and phone number.	2	0	
	b. Situation, number and condition of patient(s)	2	0	
	c. Hung up when instructed to by dispatcher. (Verbalized that dispatcher told them it is OK to hang up.)	2	0	
8.	Treating Burn  a. Cooled the burn area for at least 10 minutes. (if no running water, used a cool or cold, but not freezing, clean compress)  * Judge states, "Burn has been cooled for 10 minutes".	2	0	
(AHA) (ARC) * Judge	<ul> <li>b. Covered burn with dry, nonstick, sterile or clean dressing OR</li> <li>b. Verbalized would not cover burn, unless EMS is delayed.</li> <li>e states, "Patient's skin is grayish, cold and clammy."</li> </ul>	2	0	
9.	Treated patient for shock a. Helped the patient lie on their back.(May be done earlier in skill)	2	0	

Skill I	Skill IX: Severe Burn cont'd		sible	Awarded
*Judg	b. Covered the patient with a dry blanket to keep them warm. ge states, "EMS has arrived".	2	0	
<b>Sum</b> r 10.	mary Steps Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2	0	
11.	Gave information about the patient to EMS rescuers (judge).	4	0	
12.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.	2	0	
13.	Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.	2	0	
14.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2	0	
	LL POINTS – SKILL IX Mastery for Skill IX = 26.6	3	38	

Section #		_SS	_PS/Collegiate
Team #	Judge's Signature		

Note: The patient is unresponsive and breathing. The scenario will include if bystanders are present, and the competitor will have the option of calling 911 or instructing a bystander to do so.

Skill X	Skill X: Administer Naloxone (Nasal Spray NARCAN)		sible	Awarded
1.	Verified scene safety.	2	0	
2.	Opened first aid kit and put on PPE.	2	0	
3.	Checked for responsiveness and breathing.  The judge states, "patient is unresponsive and breathing is slow, shallow, or not present."	2	0	
5.	Instructed bystander to contact Emergency Medical Services (judge) or contacted Emergency Medical Services themselves.	2	0	
6.	Verbalized for judges patient assessment looking for signs of opioid overdose:  a. Responsive but experiencing altered state of consciousness or drowsiness.	2	0	
	b. Choking or gurgling sounds.	2	0	
	c. Small, constricted pupils.	2	0	
*Judge	d. Blue skin, lips or nails. e states, "There is evidence of opioid usage". Judge provides competitor with Naloxone (Nasal Spray NARCAN).	2	0	
7.	Obtained Naloxone and administered:  a. Peeled the package back to remove the device and checked medication name and expiration date.	2	0	
	b. Held the device with thumb on the bottom of the plunger and two fingers on the nozzle.	2	0	
	c. Placed and held the tip of the nozzle in either nostril until fingers touched the bottom of the patient's nose.	2	0	
	d. Pressed the plunger firmly to release the dose into the patient's nose.	2	0	
8.	Continued to assess responsiveness and breathing.	2	0	

Skill X: Administer Naloxone (Nasal Spray NARCAN) Cont'd		Possible		Awarded
9.	Used appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication with patient and other personnel.	2	0	
10.	Gave information about patient to EMS rescuers ( <i>judge</i> ) including time of naloxone delivery.	4	0	
11.	Removed gloves properly without touching the outside of the gloves with bare hands.	2	0	
12.	Placed disposable PPE in a biohazard receptacle.	2	0	
13.	Used alcohol based hand-rub for hand hygiene.	2	0	
TOTAL POINTS – SKILL X		;	38	
70% Mastery for Skill X = 26.6				