Surgical Foundations: Foundations EPA #2

Inserting central venous lines

Key Features:
- This EPA focuses on the technical skills of central line insertion at any anatomic site.
- This EPA may be observed on the ward, in the emergency department, in the intensive care unit or in a simulation facility.

Assessment Plan:

Direct observation by supervisor (surgeon, physician, senior resident or fellow)

Use Form 2. Form collects information on:
- Setting: clinical; simulation

Collect 2 observations of achievement
- No more than 1 in a simulation setting
- At least 2 different assessors

CanMEDS Milestones:

1 ME 3.1 Determine the appropriate site for line insertion
2 ME 3.2 Obtain and document informed consent, explaining the risks and rationale for the procedure
3 ME 3.4 Set up, position and drape the patient for the procedure
4 ME 3.4 Prepare and cleanse the procedural site
5 ME 3.4 Maintain universal precautions
6 ME 3.4 Perform the insertion of a central venous line, using ultrasound guidance as appropriate
7 COM 5.1 Document the encounter to convey the procedure and outcome(s)