

## Vasectomy Skills Checklist

Preceptor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Trainee: \_\_\_\_\_ Health Center/Float/Per Diem/Program: \_\_\_\_\_

*References:* PPGNW Medical Standards and Guidelines

APCs/MDs learn and perform PPGNW Vasectomy skills by on-site practical training where the trainee is observed by an MD privileged by PPGNW and the following checklist is completed. Please observe each of the following steps of a vasectomy using the no-scalpel technique and place a check in the column that describes the level of competence of the trainee. Please complete after the trainee's third and last observed cases.

Vasectomy privileges may also be granted to those who have current privileges to provide this service in a hospital setting, or who have had vasectomy privileges at another Planned Parenthood within the last 2 years. In these cases, proctoring may be used. Please observe at least one case (more if needed) and complete the checklist using only the "Last" column.

A copy of this checklist is given to the trainee and copies are sent to the Clinical Services Personnel Coordinator for tracking in the Training Database.

<b>EACH LINE ITEM MUST BE FILLED OUT INDIVIDUALLY</b>							
<b>Training Criteria:</b> <i>U: unskilled N: Needs Improvement S: Skilled</i> <i>Score after third and after last case</i>	Third			Last			
	U	N	S	U	N	S	
1. Isolation of the vas using 3 finger technique a. left vas b. right vas							
2. Infiltration of local anesthetic to the external spermatic sheath to create a nerve block a. Small skin wheal b. Correct placement and volume of deep infiltration along spermatic sheath c. Relief of operative pain							
3. Fixation of the vas with the ringed forceps a. Application of forceps perpendicular to the vas axis at the fixing point b. Application of forceps with handle stems parallel to the vas axis							
4. Puncture of the fixed vas a. Elevation of handle of dissecting forceps to an angle of 45 degrees b. Use of the inner blade of the forceps c. Making the puncture exactly in the mid-line of the fixed vas							
5. Expanding the puncture a. Separation of all tissue layers b. Gentle tissue handling							

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6. Elevation of the vas a. Piercing of the vas with the outer blade of the dissecting forceps b. Rotation of forceps 180 degrees so that the tops face upward c. Coordination of rotation while slowly releasing the ringed forceps d. Grasping of the vas with the ringed forceps						
7. Dissection of tissues surrounding the vas						
8. Control of any bleeders or Other (specify):						
9. General surgical/aseptic technique						
Dates checklist completed	_____					

10. Occlusive technique used for final case:	
<b>Vas was:</b>	<b>Vas was occluded on:</b>
_____ Litigated	_____ Testicular end
_____ Cauterized	_____ Prostatic end
_____ Other (specify)	_____ Both ends
11. Fascial interposition used for final case	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Number of observed cases performed independently by trainee: _____	Number of cases assisted by trainer: _____

- More training is required
- Trainee may perform vasectomy without further supervision or training
- Trainee may perform vasectomy and teach others

Vasectomy Director or designee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_