

Name of Trainee: _____

Date: _____

Name of Instructor: _____

The trainee will demonstrate the following skills involved in correctly reading and measuring a Mantoux tuberculin skin test:

Checklist

1. Has the necessary supplies on hand _____
2. Correctly identifies the patient and introduces him/herself _____
3. Explains the procedure to the patient _____
4. Washes his/her hands _____
5. Inspects the patient's arm in good light and on a firm surface _____
6. Locates the site of injection with the patient's forearm supported and slightly flexed at the elbow _____
7. Has fingernails shorter than fingertips _____
8. Touches the area lightly with pads of fingertips _____
9. Lightly sweeps fingertips in 2-in diameters from injection site in all 4 directions to locate edges of induration _____
10. Uses a zig-zag, feather-like touch to palpate for induration margins _____
11. Repeats the palpation with the patient's arm raised at a 45-degree angle _____
12. Holds his/her palm over the injection site with fingertips at the outer edge of the patient's forearm _____
13. Moves fingertips towards the injection site without lifting _____
14. Locates the induration with fingertip resting firmly against the induration margin _____
15. Uses a ball point pen to lightly mark the widest edge of the induration with a fine dot _____
16. Locates the induration margin on the other side of the patient's forearm and places the second mark on the margin of induration _____
17. Palpates again, repeating finger movements toward the injection site, and adjusts the dots if necessary _____

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- 18. Uses a millimeter ruler to measure the diameter of induration perpendicular to the long axis of the forearm _____
- 19. Measures only the induration, not erythema _____
- 20. Places the zero ruler line inside the left dot edge _____
- 21. Reads the ruler line inside the right dot edge _____
- 22. Correctly records the exact measurement in millimeters of induration on the Mantoux Tuberculin Skin Test Record Form _____
- 23. Records the date and time the test was read, the name and signature of person who read the test, and the presence or absence of adverse reactions (i.e., blistering, redness, swelling) _____
- 24. Explains the significance of a positive or negative skin test result to the patient _____
- 25. Answers the patient's questions _____
- 26. Directs the patient for follow-up, if necessary _____
- 27. Provides documentation, copy of Mantoux Tuberculin Skin Test Record Form, to patient and explains importance of retaining this information _____
- 28. Provides culturally and linguistically appropriate educational materials to patient _____

Comments: _____

