## **Head to Toe Exam**

HEAD

Visualizing and Palpating the Head for DCAPBLSTIC and

Raccoon Eyes,

Checking my gloves for blood

Checking pupils for PERRL

Checking for Battle Signs behind the ears

Checking Ears & Nose for CSF, use gauze if necessary

Palpating for Facial Stability

Checking mouth for FBAO

NECK

Visualizing and Palpating the Neck for DCAPBLSTIC and

Checking for Tracheal Deviation

Stoma

JVC

Medical Alert Tags

Checking for Accessory Muscle Use

Palpate the back of the neck for Step-off

Checking gloves for blood

Visualizing and Palpating the Chest for DCAPBLSTIC and

Checking for Clavicular stability & retraction

Subcutaneous Emphysema

**Intercostal Retractions** 

Sternal Stability

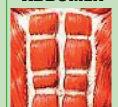
Equal Bilateral Expansion

Flail chest or paradoxical chest movement - "Please take a deep breath in"

2nd intercostal space midclavicular line, bilaterally & Check for lung sounds at:

4th intercostal space midaxillary line, bilaterally

Visualizing and Palpating the abdomen for DCAPBLSTIC and



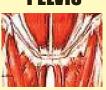
Rigidity Distention

Rebound Tenderness

**Pulsating Mass** 

Evisceration

#### **PELVIS**



Visualizing and Palpating the Pelvis for DCAPBLSTIC and

Checking stability of pelvic girdle by pushing in and then down

Checking for incontinence

Vaginal bleeding in females

sweeping the pelvis for priapism in males

# LOWER EXTREMITIES

Visualizing and Palpating the Legs for DCAPBLSTIC and

Patellar stability

Track Marks, Prosthetic Limbs, Medical Alert Tags,

pedal edema or decubitus ulcers on heels

CMSTP - Color by pinching nail beds, assessing capillary refill

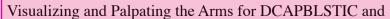
Motor- state to patient "Push down/up on my hands"

Sensory- state to patient "What toe am I touching"

Temp- feel temp of feet

Pulse- Assess Pedal pulse, mark where found

## UPPER EXTREMITIES



track marks, prosthetic limbs, medical alert tags,

Stent/Fistula/Graft on dialysis patients,

CMSTP - Color by pinching nail beds, assessing capillary refill

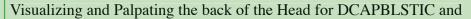
Motor- state to patient "Wiggle your fingers"

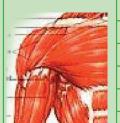
Sensory- state to patient "What finger am I touching"

Temp- feel temp of hands

Pulse- Assess Radial pulse

### **BACK**





Palpating Vertebral Column for Step-off

Checking for Incontinence

Visualizing and Palpating the back for DCAPBLSTIC and

Sacral Edema

Decubitus Ulcers

Check for Lung Sounds

Visualizing the back of legs and arms for DCAPBLSTIC and blood