American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery
Knowledge, Skills, and Behavior Program (ABOS KSB)
Surgical Skills Assessment Questions
Question 1

Dr. Jennie Doe ABOS Skills Assessment (OP-Score) of Dr. John Doe for 7/20/2021 1:03 PM Primary Total Hip Arthroplasty

1 (of 11) Case Complexity
- Low
- Medium
- High
Question 2

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2 (of 11) Pre-Procedural Plan: Gathers/assesses required information to reach diagnosis and determine correct procedure required

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3 (of 11) Case Preparation: Patient correctly prepared and positioned, understands approach and required instruments, prepared to deal with probable complications

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4 (of 11) Knowledge of Specific Procedural Steps: Understands steps of procedure, potential risks, and means to avoid/overcome them

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5 (of 11) Technical Performance: Efficiently performs steps, avoiding pitfalls and respecting soft tissues

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6 (of 11) **Visual/Spatial Skills**: 3D spatial orientation and able to position instruments/hardware where intended

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7 (of 11) Post-Procedure Plan: Appropriate complete post-procedure plan

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8 (of 11) Efficiency and Flow: Obvious planned course of procedure with economy of movement and flow

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9 (of 11) Communication: Professional and effective communication/utilization of staff

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10 (of 11) Global Evaluation

- Novice
- Low Intermediate
- High Intermediate
- Competent - requires only supervision
- Advanced Expertise

Novice
Attending surgeon provides maximum assistance. Demonstrates knowledge of anatomy. Demonstrates basic operative skills (e.g., incision, excision, wound closure). Positions patient. First assists and observes.

Low Intermediate
Attending surgeon provides significant assistance and direction. Performs approach with minimal assistance. Identifies anatomical landmarks. Identifies most of the critical steps. Demonstrates proficiency with the component technical skills. Demonstrates an increasing ability to perform different key parts of the operation with attending assistance. Demonstrates room set up and equipment management.

High Intermediate
Attending provides modest assistance and direction. Capable of performing the approach. Familiar with anatomical landmarks. Identifies and is capable of performing almost all of the critical steps. Demonstrates proficiency with the component technical skills. Attending assistance required for the most challenging portions of the procedure.

Competent - requires only supervision
Attending Surgeon not required to provide active assistance. Knows steps and transitions easily. Able to direct and assist a more junior resident. Aware of environment and can manage patient safety and coordinate the operation team. Capable of performing the procedure in practice independently.

Advanced Expertise
Performance matches that of advanced surgeon. Capable of performing complex procedures independently. Capable of independent management of intraoperative complications.
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