

Skills Exam Test Instructions

<p>Turn off and secure cell phone, smart watch, and all personal items.</p>
<p>Five (5) skills will be randomly assigned, one (1) skill from each of the five (5) categories.</p>
<p>The resident may be a mannequin or a skills observer.</p>
<p>Talk to the resident as if you are in a real-life situation. The observer may answer for the resident.</p>
<p>Skills exams will be conducted in a private area. In the interest of time, there is no need to provide privacy by pulling a curtain, excusing visitors, or providing a bath blanket if skill would normally require you to do so.</p>
<p>You do not need to lower the bed at the end of each skill. In the interest of time, you may leave the bed at a comfortable working height unless the skill specifically requires you to do otherwise.</p>
<p>There are no side rail requirements so you may use them according to your preference.</p>
<p>You may use, move, or throw away, any equipment/supplies as required by task. Do not be concerned about throwing away gloves, etc.</p>
<p>You will not actually use “messy” supplies such as water or toothpaste <i>on the mannequin</i> but will be expected to go through motions as if actually using them.</p>
<p>Skills observer will demonstrate where supplies and equipment are located and how they work.</p>
<p><i>Every step must be demonstrated to receive credit.</i> You cannot just verbalize what you would do, you must <u>actually do it</u>.</p>
<p>Verbalizing while demonstrating is allowed and may help clarify the actions. Skills observers may ask you to verbalize as you are demonstrating for clarification.</p>
<p>Hand sanitizer should be used anytime hand hygiene is required.</p>
<p>You may ask the observer to re-read the scenario if needed.</p>
<p>Tell the skills observer each time you are finished with a skill so they know you are ready to move on.</p>
<p>Once the exam begins, there will be a 45-minute time limit on the test. Before the exam has ended, you may correct any mistakes you made by telling the skills observer you would like to re-demonstrate the missed steps as directed.</p>
<p>The skills observer can answer questions from the test candidate at any time during the exam if they pertain to supplies or to clarify scenarios. The skills observer will determine which questions can be answered.</p>
<p>The role of the skills observer is to document whether or not you complete each step properly. They do not decide whether you pass or fail.</p>
<p>The skills observer will not offer feedback on exam performance.</p>
<p>You may not leave the skills exam lab until testing is complete.</p>
<p>You will receive a text message or email within 1-3 business days notifying you when your results are available to view in TMU.</p>