SPECIALTY EXAM: GENERAL MULTI-SYSTEM

Refer to data section (table below) in order to quantify. After reviewing the medical record documentation, identify the level of examination. Circle the level of examination within the appropriate grid in Section 5 (Page 3).

Performed and Documented	Level of Exam
One to five bullets	Problem Focused
At least six bullets	Expanded Problem Focused
At least two bullets from each of six body systems/areas OR at least twelve bullets in any two or more body systems/areas.	Detailed
At least two bullets from each of nine body systems/areas	Comprehensive

(Circle the bullets that are documented.)

NOTE: For the descriptions of the elements of examination containing the words "and", "and/or", only one (1) of those elements must be documented.

System/Body Area	Elements of Examination	
Constitutional	 Measurement of any three of the following seven vital signs: 1) sitting or standing blood pressure, 2) supine blood pressure, 3) pulse rate and regularity, 4) respiration, 5) temperature, 6) height, 7) weight (May be measured and recorded by ancillary staff) 	
	General appearance of patient (e.g., development, nutrition, body habitus, deformities, attention to grooming)	
Eyes	Inspection of conjunctivae and lids	
	 Examination of pupils and irises (e.g., reaction to light and accommodation, size and symmetry) 	
	 Ophthalmoscopic examination of optic discs (e.g., size, C/D ratio, appearance) and posterior segments (e.g., vessel changes, exudates, hemorrhages) 	
Ears, Nose, Mouth and Throat	 External inspection of ears and nose (e.g., overall appearance, scars, lesions, masses) 	
	Otoscopic examination of external auditory canals and tympanic membranes	
	Assessment of hearing (e.g., whispered voice, finger rub, tuning fork)	
	Inspection of lips, teeth and gums	
	 Examination of oropharynx: oral mucosa, salivary glands, hard and soft palates, tongue, tonsils and posterior pharynx 	
	Inspection of nasal mucosa, septum and turbinates	

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System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Neck	 Examination of neck (e.g., masses, overall appearance, symmetry, tracheal position, crepitus)
	Examination of thyroid (e.g., enlargement, tenderness, mass)
Respiratory	 Assessment of respiratory effort (e.g., intercostal retractions, use of accessory muscles, diaphragmatic movement)
	Percussion of chest (e.g., dullness, flatness, hyperresonance)
	Palpation of chest (e.g., tactile fremitus)
	 Auscultation of lungs (e.g., breath sounds, adventitious sounds, rubs)
Cardiovascular	Palpation of heart (e.g., location, size, thrills)
	Auscultation of heart with notation of abnormal sounds and murmurs
	Examination of:
	Carotid arteries (e.g., pulse amplitude, bruits)
	Abdominal aorta (e.g., size, bruits)
	Femoral arteries (e.g., pulse amplitude, bruits)
	Pedal pulses (e.g., pulse amplitude)
	Extremities for edema and/or varicosities
Chest (Breasts)	Inspection of breasts (e.g., symmetry, nipple discharge)
,	Palpation of breasts and axillae (e.g., masses or lumps, tenderness)
Gastrointestinal (Abdomen)	 Examination of abdomen with notation of presence of masses or tenderness Examination of liver and spleen
	Examination for presence or absence of hernia
	 Examination of anus, perineum and rectum, including sphincter tone, presence of hemorrhoids, rectal masses
	Obtain stool sample for occult blood test when indicated

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System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Musculoskeletal	 Examination of gait and station *(if circled, add to total at bottom of column to the left)
NOTE: Determine the number of body areas addressed within each bullet. Enter that number on the	 Inspection and/or palpation of digits and nails (e.g., clubbing, cyanosis, inflammatory conditions, petechiae, ischemia, infections, nodes) *(if circled, add to total at bottom of column to the left)
corresponding line below. Total at the bottom of this box.	Examination of joints, bones and muscles of one or more of the following six areas: 1) head and neck; 2) spine, ribs, and pelvis; 3) right upper extremity; 4) left upper extremity; 5) right lower extremity; and 6) left lower extremity. The examination of a given area includes:
Inspection and/or palpation: ————	 Inspection and/or palpation with notation of presence of any misalignment, asymmetry, crepitation, defects, tenderness, masses, effusions
Assessment of range of motion:	 Assessment of range of motion with notation of any pain, crepitation or contracture
Assessment of stability:	 Assessment of stability with notation of any dislocation (luxation), subluxation or laxity
Assessment of muscle strength:	 Assessment of muscle strength and tone (e.g., flaccid, cog wheel, spastic) with notation of any atrophy or abnormal movements
* Total Bullets: (including gait and station and inspection and/or palpation of digits and nails if circled)	
Skin	 Inspection of skin and subcutaneous tissue (e.g., rashes, lesions, ulcers)
	 Palpation of skin and subcutaneous tissue (e.g., induration, subcutaneous nodules, tightening)
Neurologic	Test cranial nerves with notation of any deficits
	 Examination of deep tendon reflexes with notation of pathological reflexes (e.g., Babinski)
	• Examination of sensation (e.g., by touch, pin, vibration, proprioception)
Psychiatric	Description of patient's judgement and insight
	Brief assessment of mental status including:
	Orientation to time, place and person
	Recent and remote memory
	 Mood and affect (e.g., depression, anxiety, agitation)

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System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Genitourinary	MALE:
	 Examination of the scrotal contents (e.g., hydrocele, spermatocele, tenderness of cord, testicular mass)
	Examination of penis
	 Digital rectal examination of prostrate gland (e.g., size, symmetry, nodularity, tenderness)
	FEMALE:
	Pelvic examination (with or without specimen collection for smears and cultures), including:
	 Examination of external genitalia (e.g., general appearance, hair distribution, lesions) and vagina (e.g., general appearance, estrogen effect, discharge, lesions, pelvic support, cystocele, rectocele)
	 Examination of urethra (e.g., masses, tenderness, scarring)
	 Examination of bladder (e.g., fullness, masses, tenderness)
	Cervix (e.g., general appearance, lesions, discharge)
	 Uterus (e.g., size, contour, position, mobility, tenderness, consistency, descent or support)
	 Adnexa/parametria (e.g., masses, tenderness, organomegaly, nodularity)
Lymphatic	Palpation of lymph nodes in two or more areas:
	Neck
	Axillae
	Groin
	Other

(Enter the number of circled bullets in the boxes below. Then circle the appropriate level of care.)

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