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### DACUM Competency Profile for The Emergency Room Technician

The Emergency Room Technician is a member of the health care team who provides support services to the patients and staff by performing procedures and various clerical duties to ensure a smooth flow of information and functions within the Emergency Department.

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Equipment, Supplies & Materials

- Accu-Check
- Ambu Bags
- Bandage Supplies
- Bedpan/Urinals
- Catheterization tray
- Commode
- Computers
- Crash Cart
- EKG
- Fire Extinguishers
- Gurneys
- Hospital Forms
- IV Supplies
- Lab Supplies
- Linens
- Medical Instruments
- Monitors
- Ortho Supplies
- Oxygen Supplies
- Pen/pencil
- Post-Mortem Bag
- Protective Apparel
- Protocol Manuals
- Pulse Oximeter
- Restraints
- Scale
- Sharps Container
- Snellen (eye chart)
- Special Procedure Trays
- Sphygmomanometer
- Stethoscope
- Stickers
- Suction Equipment
- Thermometer
- Warmers
- Wheel Chair

Future Trends & Issues

- Agency Cutbacks (financial)
- Equipment Updates/Improvements
- Health Care Reform
- Increased Risk of Infectious Diseases
- Liability
- Occupational Specialization
- Protocol/Scope of Practice
- Recognition/Clarification of Job Title

Knowledge & Skills

- 12 Lead EKGs
- Anatomy/Physiology
- Basic EKG Monitoring
- Basic Math
- Body Mechanics
- Casting/Splinting
- Charting
- Communication Skills
- Computer Skills
- CPR
- Critical Thinking
- Cultural Awareness/Diversity
- Disaster Preparedness
- Equipment
- Hazardous Materials
- Infection Control
- Inventory/Organizational Skills
- IV Set-up
- Laboratory Specimen Collection
- Mechanical Aptitude
- Medical Terminology
- Ortho Devices
- OSHA Requirements
- Oxygen Ajuncts
- Patient Rights
- Penmanship Skills
- Phlebotomy
- Physician Rights
- Post-Mortem Care
- Problem Solving
- Psychosocial Skills
- Safety Practices
- Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's)
- Sterile Set-up/Asepsis
- Stress Management
- Suction Skills
- Techniques
- Telephone Skills
- Urine Catheterization
- Visual Acuity
- Vital Signs
- Wound Care

Worker Traits and Characteristics

- Ability to Listen
- Ability to Prioritize
- Common Sense
- Compassion
- Confidence
- Confidentiality
- Decision Maker
- Efficient
- Endurance
- Flexible
- Follow Directions
- Generous
- Goal orientated
- Hard Worker
- Honest
- Innovative
- Integrity
- Interpersonal Skills
- Observation
- Patience
- Personal Hygiene (good)
- Physically Fit
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Self Control
- Self Motivation
- Sense of Humor
- Teamwork