Simulation Observer Checklist

Instructions: Please write observations for how each action was performed during the exercise.

The bullet points provided are suggestions for actions to consider; please provide more detail in observations beyond yes/no answers. Have additional paper available for observations.

Action	Observation
Teamwork Focus: Interaction and Leadership • How well did the team interact with one another? Did every team member participate and share or receive information? • Which team member took the lead? • How was it determined who would take the lead?	
Communication Focus: Clarity and Specificity • How well was communication achieved among the team? • When there was confusion, did someone offer clarity in the decisions being made? • Did someone explain the reasoning behind the decisions being made? • Were instructions or requests made with complete and specific information? • Did there appear to be misunderstanding or confusion due to communication?	
Situational Awareness Focus: Knowledge and Understanding, Sharing Information • Discuss the comfort level of the team in terms of what they knew and how well they understood how to respond to their patient. • How was information shared with others? Was it effective and timely? Did all parties receive updates as required or necessary?	

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Decision Making Focus: Timeliness and Appropriateness • Were decisions made in a timely manner? Was the care coordination conducted in a timely manner? • Were decisions made with adequate information?	
Clinical Skills Focus: Comfort Level and Confidence • Did the team appear confident in their clinical ability to care for their patient? • Was there question or concern about any requested procedures? • Was there a lack of knowledge or understanding behind the reasoning for and requested procedures?	
Additional Observations	

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