



# Skills Modules 3.0 Checklist: Nasogastric Intubation Nasogastric Decompression

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Use the following checklist to evaluate competency in completing this skill. Select Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) for each step and provide comments as needed.

\*Document the relevant information (assessment findings, pharmacological and nonpharmacological interventions) in the client's medical record.

## Step by Step

| STEP   | S | U | EVALUATOR'S COMMENTS |
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| *Verify the medical prescription for gastric decompression.    |   |   |                      |
| Gather supplies.   |   |   |                      |
| *Provide privacy as needed.                                    |   |   |                      |
| *Introduce yourself to the client.                             |   |   |                      |
| *Perform hand hygiene and put on appropriate PPE if indicated. |   |   |                      |
| *Verify client identification.                                 |   |   |                      |
| *Determine whether the client has allergies.                   |   |   |                      |

| STEP   | S U EVALUATOR'S COMMENTS |
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| *Provide client education.   |                          |
| Check radiography report to confirm placement of the nasogastric tube.   |                          |
| Assemble and connect drainage suction equipment to wall suction.   |                          |
| Put on clean gloves.   |                          |
| Adjust suction regulator per provider's prescription by occluding the connecting tubing to the suction device. |                          |
| Connect nasogastric tube to the suction tubing after confirming placement of the tube.                         |                          |

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