

## **NOVA STATSTRIP CERTIFICATION QUIZ**

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

To successfully demonstrate competency, the employee must obtain a score of 80% on the written assessment. There are 30 points possible.

1. The three types of specimens that can be used for testing glucose with the NOVA Glucose meter are **capillary, venous** or **arterial**.
  - a. True
  - b. False
2. If a specimen other than capillary is used, then enter a comment as to what source was used *and* stay with the same source.
  - a. True
  - b. False
3. Always physically position the Nova meter port side down or level, when applying QC or blood, to prevent extra liquid from dripping in the meter port.
  - a. True
  - b. False
4. When must controls be run?
  - a. Every 24 hours
  - b. If the meter is dropped
  - c. If the results are inconsistent with the patient's condition
  - d. All of the above
5. If the controls (QC) are out of range, then rerun the test. The first step is to try a new bottle of **QC** material. The second step is to open new **strips**. If this fails, document what was done on the **troubleshooting log** and call the **lab**.
  - a. True
  - b. False
6. When not in use, the NOVA meter
  - a. Can stay in any patient room
  - b. Can be kept at the nurse's station
  - c. Must be kept in the docking station in order to transmit the information to the lab/medical record and to "charge" the meter.
  - d. All of the above
7. The controls expire on whichever is first: manufacture's expiration date, or \_\_\_\_\_ months, once they are open.
  - a. 1 month
  - b. 3 months
  - c. 6 months
  - d. 12 months
8. The strips expire on whichever is first: manufacture's expiration date, or \_\_\_\_\_ months, once they are open.
  - a. 1 month
  - b. 3 months
  - c. 6 months
  - d. 12 months
9. Using someone else's Operator ID constitutes fraud!
  - a. True
  - b. False

10. I am to scan the patient armband to obtain the CSN number. Using anything else for the patient ID is unsafe practice and can result in a serious patient error.
- True
  - False
11. Once the CSN number is scanned on the patient's armband, what needs to be verified before proceeding with the testing?
- The admission date
  - The CSN number on the armband matches the number on the glucometer screen
  - The diagnosis
  - All of the above
12. If the patient is not registered, *or the armband cannot be scanned (after re-banding)*, the emergency barcode form must be used.
- True
  - False
13. If the sample does not fill in one continuous flow, it is acceptable to apply more blood to the strip.
- True
  - False
14. When test results don't match the patient's clinical condition and before repeating the glucose test:
- Run both high and low QC tests to validate that the meter is accurate
  - Then repeat the patient test
  - If still puzzled, reject the result, enter the comment 'Lab glucose ordered' and order a lab glucose immediately
  - All of the above
15. The test result is 480 at 0230, there was a previous result of 464 at 0130. What action do you take and what comments are entered?
- Enter the comments 'Crit within 2h' & 'No Repeat Required', do not order a lab glucose
  - Enter the comment 'Lab glucose ordered' and order a lab glucose
  - Repeat the finger stick
  - All of the above
16. How many comments "must" be entered for a critical result? \_\_\_\_\_  
What is the maximum that can be used? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2; 4
  - 1; 5
  - 2; 3
  - 1; 3
17. If meter is not "connecting" when docked in the base I should:
- Call the lab
  - Reseat the meter on the dock
  - Call IT
  - Both b and c
18. If you have a sample that you know was not done correctly and you want to stop the result from going to the chart the following actions should be taken: First **enter reject**, next **choose a comment** on the meter screen, next **repeat the test** and remember to **never chart about the rejected test in the medical record**.
- True
  - False
19. I should use the "Unexpected Result" comment; (circle all that apply) **ALL "UNEXPECTED" results require choosing "REJECT" on the meter, followed by a repeat test.**
- If I feel the result is questionable
  - I realized I scanned the wrong patient
  - The meter was moved during testing
  - There was an improper finger prep
  - The patient line was not cleared properly

20. When do you use the “neonate” comments?
  - a. 0- 48 hours old
  - b. 0 - 6 days
  - c. 0 – 14 days
  - d. All of the above
21. If you get any liquid in the meter port what must you do immediately?
  - a. Wipe it thoroughly
  - b. Allow to air dry at the nursing station
  - c. Take it to the lab immediately
  - d. Proceed with testing
22. If the meter will not turn on what steps do you take?
  - a. Take it to the lab
  - b. Dock it on a different docking station
  - c. Replace the battery (obtained in lab)
  - d. None of the above
23. If the meter *screen* turns off what can you do to recover it?
  - a. Tap the screen
  - b. Replace the battery
  - c. Dock it
  - d. Ask your manager for help
24. If your badge is not working (or reading the incorrect name) what action needs to be taken?
  - a. Take it to HR
  - b. Take it to the lab
  - c. Take it to your clinical manager
  - d. Use a co-workers badge
25. The process for student nurses to do glucose testing at SRMC includes:
  - a. Scanning the staff nurses badge to access the meter
  - b. Requires the staff nurse to remain at the bedside to observe and coach
  - c. Enters any applicable comments, as well as, the comment “Performed by student”
  - d. All of the above

TRUE or FALSE

1. \_\_\_\_\_ If I get an “error” message, the first thing to do is check the back of the *Quick Reference* card.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ I cannot check a previous result once another test has been performed.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ I can go back and enter a comment regarding a previous result once the unit is turned off.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ I can use any available lancet for the fingerstick.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ It is OK to test myself or a co-worker if they are not feeling well or forgot their personal meter?

**Trainer Acknowledgement**

This employee [ ] has or [ ] has not, successfully met the objectives for this competency.

\_\_\_\_\_ PASS \_\_\_\_\_ FAIL Score \_\_\_\_\_ (80% is passing)  
30 possible points

Signature/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

If not successful, a follow-up action and/or improvement plan was developed and discussed with the employee on (date): \_\_\_\_\_