



POCT CoaguChek XS
Annual Competency Validation
(Pre-analytical, analytical, and Post-analytical)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Coumadin Clinic: _____ Address: _____

1. Code/Calibrating/Quality Control	Met	Unmet
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checks expiration dates of test strips • Writes an open date on the test strip vial, when first opened. 		
<p>2. Patient testing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follows universal precautions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Washes hands. Utilize appropriate PPE (gloves...) • Utilizes 2 patient identifiers prior to testing. • Explains purpose of test/steps of procedure to patient before testing. • Inquires if recent bleeding, bruising, medication or dietary changes. • Places strip in meter and verifies the flashing 3-digit code on the screen matches the 3-digit code on vial of test strips. • Cleans puncture site with 70% alcohol pad/ allows to dry. • Performs finger puncture using auto-disabling single-use disposable lancet. • Applies the first drop of blood (does not wipe) to test strip. • Applies blood to target area on side of test strip until instrument beeps or flashing blood symbol disappears ensuring sample is 8ul. Low sample volumes will cause error messages to appear on the meter. • Understands not to add additional blood to the test strip or if new a new specimen is needed not to use the same fingerstick. • Meter is placed on a solid horizontal surface and not moved while test is in progress. • Documents result in patient chart/log along with internal Q.C. • Demonstrates proper cleaning of the meter after each use. 		
<p>The above skills have been demonstrated successfully.</p> <p>Staff signature: _____ Date: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Validator's signature: _____ Date: _____</p>		