

LASER SECTION CLINICAL SKILLS EVALUATION FORM**August 2026 – May 2027****Skill 1 - SLT**

Did the candidate:

1. greet the patient?
2. wash their hands properly and dry them completely?
3. review history and point out pertinent clinical findings as indication to perform the procedure?
4. explain the purpose of the procedure to the patient?
5. ask the patient if they have any questions prior to proceeding?

With respect to the pre-operative documentation, did the candidate:

6. state the pre-operative diagnosis?
7. state the proper procedure to be performed?
8. state the proper operative eye?
9. confirm allergies, ocular medications, systemic medications, blood pressure, visual acuities, and IOP?
10. state that informed consent has been obtained?

Did the candidate:

11. state the proper pre-operative medication(s) to be used?
12. state the correct timeframe to wait between instillation of eye drops and the procedure?
13. state would instill proper anesthetic in both eyes of standardized patient?
14. verify and state that the "laser is inactive"?
15. set and state appropriate laser mode and settings prior to activation of laser?
16. confirm eye pieces are focused and set the magnification to a minimum of 16X?
17. properly place SLT laser lens on model eye?
18. engage laser properly and state "laser is active"?
19. show generation of cavitation bubbles?
20. appropriately place the majority of spots over width of trabecular meshwork?
21. provide appropriate applications per 180 degrees inferiorly?
22. disengage laser to proper post treatment setting and state "laser is inactive"?
23. properly remove laser lens from model eye?
24. maintain safety throughout the procedure?
25. perform the procedure in a smooth and logical manner?

With respect to the dictation of the stand-alone post-operative note, did the candidate:

26. state procedure eye and area treated?
27. state energy setting?
28. state total energy?
29. state number of degrees treated?
30. state how patient tolerated the procedure?
31. state patient disposition post-treatment?
32. state proper immediate post-operative medication(s)?

With respect to same-day post-operative evaluation, did the candidate:

33. state that visual acuity should be measured?
34. state that the anterior chamber and cornea should be evaluated?
35. state that IOP should be checked at appropriate time interval?

Regarding post-operative patient education, did the candidate:

36. give the patient proper post-operative home care instructions including medication?
37. remind the patient to continue appropriate glaucoma medications?
38. give the patient proper return to clinic instructions?
39. give the patient emergency office contact information?
40. ask the patient if they have any questions before leaving office?

Skill 2 – PERIPHERAL IRIDOTOMY

Did the candidate:

41. ask patient if compliant with pre-operative medication instructions?
42. explain the purpose of the procedure to the patient?
43. ask the patient if they have any questions prior to proceeding?
44. confirm IOP?
45. state the proper pre-operative medication(s) to be used?
46. state the correct eye to instill drops?
47. state the correct timeframe to wait between instillation of eye drops and the procedure?
48. state would instill proper anesthetic in both eyes of standardized patient?
49. verify and state “laser is inactive”?
50. set and state appropriate laser mode and settings, including offset and burst, prior to activation of laser?
51. properly select appropriate PI location and crypt?
52. properly place iridotomy laser lens on the model eye?
53. properly focus aiming beams on target crypts?
54. engage laser properly and state “laser is active”?
55. state would observe pigment plume upon reaching patency?
56. perform procedure to properly sized patent endpoint?
57. disengage laser to proper post treatment setting and state “laser is inactive”?
58. properly evaluate and demonstrate the endpoint of the procedure?
59. properly remove laser lens from model eye?
60. maintain safety throughout the procedure while using less than 150mJ of energy?
61. perform procedure in a smooth and logical manner?

With respect to the dictation of the stand-alone post-operative note, did the candidate:

62. state procedure eye and clock hour location treated?
63. state energy setting?
64. state total energy?
65. state how patient tolerated the procedure?
66. state patient disposition post-treatment?
67. state proper immediate post-operative medication(s)?

With respect to same-day post-operative evaluation, did the candidate:

68. state that visual acuity should be measured?
69. state that the anterior chamber and cornea should be evaluated?
70. state that IOP should be checked at appropriate time interval?

Regarding post-operative patient education, did the candidate:

71. give the patient proper post-operative home care instructions including medication?
72. give the patient proper return to clinic instructions?
73. give the patient emergency office contact information?
74. ask the patient if they have any questions before leaving office?

Skill 3 – YAG CAPSULOTOMY

Did the candidate:

75. explain the purpose of the procedure to the patient?
76. ask the patient if they have any questions prior to proceeding?
77. confirm IOP?
78. state the proper pre-operative medication(s) to be used?
79. state the correct eye to instill drops?
80. state the correct timeframe to wait between instillation of eye drops and the procedure?
81. state would instill proper anesthetic in both eyes of standardized patient?
82. verify and state "laser is inactive"?
83. set and state appropriate laser mode and settings, including offset, prior to activation of laser?
84. properly place capsulotomy laser lens on model eye?
85. engage laser properly and state "laser is active"?
86. focus aiming beams on the posterior capsular opacification of model eye?
87. perform the procedure using an acceptable pattern?
88. obtain proper capsulotomy size?
89. obtain proper capsulotomy centration?
90. disengage laser to proper post-treatment setting and state "laser is inactive"?
91. properly remove laser lens from model eye?
92. properly evaluate and demonstrate the endpoint of the procedure?
93. maintain safety throughout the procedure?
94. perform the procedure in a smooth and logical manner?

With respect to the dictation of the stand-alone post-operative note, did the candidate:

95. state procedure eye?
96. state energy setting?
97. state total energy?
98. state how patient tolerated the procedure?
99. state patient disposition post-treatment?
100. state proper immediate post-operative medication(s)?

With respect to same-day post-operative evaluation, did the candidate:

101. state that visual acuity should be measured?
102. state that the anterior chamber should be evaluated?
103. state that IOP should be checked at appropriate time interval?

Regarding post-operative patient education, did the candidate:

104. give the patient proper post-operative home care instructions?
105. give the patient proper return to clinic instructions?
106. give the patient emergency office contact information?
107. ask the patient if they have any questions before leaving office?