Grading Criteria

Patient Centered Care

- 1) Introduce yourself to the patient and wear gloves.
- 2) Inform the patient of cold gel before application.
- 3) Warn the patient of pressure when applying the probe.

Image Acquisition – Lung exam

- 4) Probe selection linear probe
- 5) Depth Appropriate to the pleura, without excessive depth (no more than 7cm deep to pleura)
- 6) Gain Appropriate to visualize lung sliding
- 7) Quality Appropriate to visualize lung sliding

Image Interpretation - Cardiac US

- 8) Anatomy Identifies pleural sliding.
- 9) Anatomy Identifies ribs
- 10) Anatomy Identifies soft tissue (muscle and/or skin)
- 11) Anatomy Identifies lung parenchyma / lung tissue
- 12) Anatomy Identifies sea-shore sign on M-mode
- 13) Application Appropriately identifies lack of lung sliding indicating pneumothorax
- 14) Application Appropriately identifies the bar-code sign on M-mode as indication pneumothorax.
- 15) Application Suggests appropriate subsequent management of the patient (oxygen, needle decompression, thoracostomy or chest tube).