Ankle Exam

GLOBAL MARK				
CLEAR PASS	BORDERLINE PASS	BORDERLINE FAIL	FAIL	

Anterior draw test

Criteria					
Introduces Self, confirms patient	identify, Washes hands,	2, 1			
Offers analgesia, ensures comfort	2				
Offers chaperone					
Patient exposed – from fibula hea					
Inspects	Inspects				
Erythema					
Scars					
Looks at achilles tendon					
Palpates					
Full length of fibula					
Medial and lateral malleol					
Talus					
Calcaneum	Calcaneum				
Achilles					
Identifies lateral ligament Ligament					
Deltoid ligament on media					
Foot – especially base of 5					
Checks sensation					
Dermatones					
Medial ankle L4					
Dorsum L5					
Lateral Ankle and sole S1					
Peroneal Superficial Posterior Tibial N. Sural Nerve	Peripheral nerves Saphenous medial aspect of ankle Posterior Tibial heel Sural Lateral aspect of ankle Superficial peroneal top of foot Deep peroneal 1st webspace				
Move – active and passive					
Dorsiflexion 15					
Plantar flexion					

Knee joint slightly flexed	
Ankle plantar flexed 10-15 degrees	
Hold the heel and stabilize the fibula with your other hand and	ļ
pull tibia towards you.	
Talar tilt test	
Knee hanging off the end of the table	
Invert and evert foot on plantar flexed and in anatomical	
position. Compare to the other side.	
Simmonds – for achilles rupture	
Assess gait	
Summarises, asks to examine joint above and below	
Suggests XR or not.	
Provides management plan	
Thanks patient	

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