PROCEDURE CHECKLIST
Chapter 17: Assessing Peripheral Pulses

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NOTE: You can use this checklist to evaluate one peripheral pulse, or to evaluate the student’s ability to locate all the peripheral pulses.

Circle site used:
- radial, brachial, carotid, temporal, popliteal, femoral, posterior tibial, dorsalis pedis

1. Selects, correctly locates, and palpates site.
2. Uses fingers (not thumb) to palpate.
3. Counts for 30 sec. if regular; 60 sec. if irregular.
4. Notes rate, rhythm, and quality.
5. Compares bilaterally.
6. Carotid pulse: Palpates only on one side at a time.
7. Correctly locates the following sites:
   a. radial
   b. brachial
   c. carotid
   d. temporal
   e. popliteal
   f. femoral
   g. posterior tibial
   h. dorsalis pedis

Recommendation: Pass _____ Needs more practice _____

Student: ____________________ Date: ________________

Instructor: __________________ Date: ________________