

Competency Document for Nurses Accessing, De-needling and Blood Sampling an Implantable Port

These competencies must be achieved in line with the following SOP: Procedure to Access an Implantable Port

Title	Competency Document for Nurses Accessing, De-needling and Blood Sampling an Implantable Port
Version	3 .0
Implemented	V2 07.12.2022, V3 16.07.2026
Review Date	16.07.2029

It is the responsibility of each registered nurse:

1. To have their own set of competencies signed and dated by an already competent health professional.
2. Observe accessing, administering intravenous medication and de-needling an implantable prior to practice.
3. Be supervised accessing, administering intravenous medication and de-needling an implantable port for a minimum of THREE times.

Competency Document for Nurses Accessing, De-needling and Blood Sampling an Implantable Port

These competencies must be achieved in line with the following SOP: Procedure to Access an Implantable Port

	ACTION	OBSERVED Date & Signature	SUPERVISED Date & Signature	COMPETENT Date & Signature
1	Explain the procedure to the patient and gain consent.	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.	
	ACTION	OBSERVED Date & Signature	SUPERVISED Date & Signature	COMPETENT Date & Signature
2	Demonstrate the successful access of a portacath.	1. 2.	1. 2.	

Competency Document for Nurses Accessing, De-needling and Blood Sampling an Implantable Port

These competencies must be achieved in line with the following SOP: Procedure to Access an Implantable Port

		3.	3.	
3	Demonstrate the successful de-needling of a portacath.	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.	
	ACTION	OBSERVED Date & Signature	SUPERVISED Date & Signature	COMPETENT Date & Signature
4	Demonstrate taking a blood sample from a portacath.	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.	

Competency Sheet for Nurses Accessing, De-needling and Blood Sampling an implantable Port / Version 2/ February 2026. Page 3 of 4

Intellectual property rights remain within NHS Institutions. Guidelines do not replace clinical judgement

Competency Document for Nurses Accessing, De-needling and Blood Sampling an Implantable Port

These competencies must be achieved in line with the following SOP: Procedure to Access an Implantable Port

--	--	--	--	--