

*Basic Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care in Humanitarian Settings: Select Signal Functions*

**Intravenous (IV) Access Activity**

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|  | **INTRAVENOUS (IV) SKILLS CHECKLIST** | **YES** | **NO** |
| 1 | Explain the procedure to the woman and provide emotional support |  |  |
| 2 | Gather all the supplies   * sterile IV fluids * sterile plastic tubing * sterile IV * tape * skin antiseptic |  |  |
| 3 | Wash hands with soap and water; wear clean gloves |  |  |
| 4 | Open the package of sterile tubing and attach it to the fluids using sterile technique |  |  |
| 5 | Hang up the bag of solution high enough to let it flow to the end of the tubing |  |  |
| 6 | Tie the tube off at the end to prevent fluid waste |  |  |
| 7 | Use a cloth or rubber tourniquet on the upper arm |  |  |
| 8 | Identify a vein and clean the skin |  |  |
| 9 | Hold the vein steady between the first finger and thumb with one hand and carefully insert the needle into the vein with the other hand. Look for blood in the needle hub. Lay the needle almost flat and slide the rest of the way into the vein. |  |  |
| 10 | Remove the tourniquet and attach a fluid tube to the needle |  |  |
| 11 | Use tape to hold the needle in place |  |  |
| 12 | Regulate the amount and speed of IV fluid flow depending on the medical condition |  |  |