

# Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (Surgical DOPS)

## Trainer/Trainee Guidance Points

These guidance points are to be used in conjunction with point 6 ('performs the technical aspects in line with the guidance notes') on the main Surgical DOPS form. A mark should not be given for each of these points – they should instead be used to inform the mark to be given for point 6.

**Specialty:** Cardiothoracic Surgery

**Procedure:** Central Venous Line Insertion

### Steps to be performed

1. Appropriate patient positioning
2. Identification of appropriate vein using landmark technique or ultrasound guidance
3. Insertion of suitable central venous line
4. Position in vein confirmed by blood back flow
5. Line sutured securely
6. CXR to check tip position