

Cambridge Public Health Department
Piercing Apprentice Task Sheet

<u>Establishment/Apprentice Information</u>	
Name of Establishment:	_____
Address of Establishment:	_____ _____
Apprentice Name:	_____
Apprentice Address:	_____
Apprentice Permit #: _____	Apprenticeship Start Date _____

Directions for Professional Piercing Practitioner:

This form is to be completed as the apprentice demonstrates knowledge of each new task. These tasks are to be demonstrated while practicing as a piercer. As each new task is mastered the Professional Piercing practitioner should date, initial and provide any comments in the table. Upon completion of the apprenticeship program, this form and all documentation of experience should be submitted to the Cambridge Public Health Department for review. It is recommended that for each procedure the apprentice completes, a description of the procedure, skill level, and number of hours it took to complete are recorded on a copy of the customer consent form and submitted as evidence of experience.

TASKS TO BE MASTERED BY THE APPRENTICE

Demonstrates Knowledge Of:	Supervisor Comments	Date	Prof. Piercer Initials
Bloodborne Pathogen Standards			
Infection Control Standards of: Workstation/premises Instruments			
Infection Prevention Practices: Handwashing Personal Protection Equip. Asepsis			

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Proper Cleaning Techniques Of: Instruments Equipment Environment Ultrasonic Cleaner Workstation			
Proper Sterilization Technique: Pre-cleaning Packaging/Loading Autoclave Storage of Instruments			
Proper Waste Disposal Of: Sharps Contaminated Regular			
Can explain the content of Consent Forms and the complications that could result from piercings			
Can properly evaluate Health History Forms			
Understands and can explain proper aftercare instructions to a client			
Can explain proper steps to take in the event of an exposure incident			
Can explain proper emergency procedure for: Excessive Bleeding Fainting Exposure Incident			
Proper Preparation of Workstation			
Proper skin surface preparation			

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***Skill Level Descriptions and
Apprentice Hours/Procedures Required***

75 Hours of Direct Observation

The apprentice should directly observe piercing techniques of Professional Piercing Practitioners. Attention should be paid to the clean-up and preparation procedures, sanitation and sterilization techniques, exposure control techniques practiced by the piercing practitioner, handwashing and glove use, skin surface preparation and piercing skills of the professional practitioner. Observation can only be done with the consent of the client.

75 Hours of Workstation Clean-Up and Workstation Preparation

Some of these hours can be combined with the direct observation hours after the apprentice has learned workstation clean-up and preparation skills.

LEVEL I

Minimum of 150 Piercings limited to the following areas and procedures;

**Eyebrow, Navel, Ear Cartilage, Rook, Tragus/Anti-Tragus, Conch,
Helix/Anti-Helix, Nose, Septum,**

LEVEL II

Minimum of 150 Piercings limited to the following areas and procedures;

**Eyebrow, Navel, Ear Cartilage, Rook, Tragus/Anti-Tragus, Conch,
Helix/Anti-Helix, Nose, Septum, Tongue, Nipple, Industrial, Orbital, Daithe,
Lip, Marilyn/Madonna, Medusa, Cheek, Labret**

LEVEL III

Minimum of 150 Piercings limited to the following areas and procedures;

**Eyebrow, Navel, Ear Cartilage, Rook, Nose, Septum, Tragus/Anti-Tragus,
Conch, Helix/Anti-Helix, Tongue, Nipple, Industrial, Orbital, Daithe, Lip,
Marilyn/Madonna, Medusa, Cheek, Labret, Genital Piercings**

A practitioner that does not complete the required number of piercing, but can document 2400 hours of full time experience will qualify for a professional license.

Some of the levels are allowed to overlap, but the apprentice should master a step prior to moving on the next level. The apprentice is required to submit photographs of ten pieces from each level as evidence of experience.

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As a reminder, these forms of body piercing are prohibited in the City of Cambridge:

Piercing of the uvula, tracheal area, neck, ankle, hand/foot web, lingual frenum (tongue web), clitoris, anus, gums, testicles, piercing between the ribs or vertebrae, any form of chest or deep muscle piercing (excluding the nipple), piercing of the eyelid, the form of body piercing known as “pocketing”, surface to surface piercings, the apadravya and ampallang male genital piercings,

So-called “deep” piercing of the penis - meaning piercing through the shaft of the penis, or “trans-penis” piercing in any area from the corona glandis to the pubic bone.

So-called “deep” piercing of the scrotum - meaning piercing through the scrotum, or “trans-scrotal” piercing.

So-called “deep” piercing of the vagina - to include, but not limited to - so-called “triangles.”

I certify that the apprentice has completed the required number of hours and procedures, has displayed the techniques and knowledge of a professional piercing practitioner and has successfully completed the Apprenticeship Program as designed by the Cambridge Public Health Department.

Supervisor Signature _____

Date _____

Apprentice Signature _____

Date _____