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Title: PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT CENTRAL LINE & CHEST TUBE PLACEMENT

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POLICY:

- 1. Physician Assistants may be granted the privilege of placing chest tubes and central lines in emergency situations without the presence and the supervision of the surgeon, only after the following requirements are met:
 - A. Documented physician assistant training.
 - B. Documented direct order by physician and physician available by phone in case of a problem.

References/Standards:

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