

Appendix B. Table: Current and suggested minimum thresholds of procedures for approval to perform bedside procedures

Threshold of Experience	Paracentesis		Thoracentesis		Central Venous Catheter Insertion		Lumbar Puncture		Arterial Line Insertion		Arthrocentesis		Summary	
	<i>n</i>	<i>mean (SD)</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>mean (SD)</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>mean (SD)</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>mean (SD)</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>mean (SD)</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>mean (SD)</i>	<i>n</i>	<i>mean</i>
Initial														
Current	17	2.1 (3.1)	17	2.1 (3.1)	19	2.5 (3.0)	17	1.8 (3.0)	17	2.4 (3.1)	16	2.4 (3.6)		2.2
Suggested	16	6.2 (2.5)	16	7.4 (2.9)	16	8.1 (3.1)	15	6.9 (2.8)	15	6.4 (2.7)	15	5.7 (2.8)		6.8
Difference	14	4.7 (2.9)	14	5.8 (3.4)	15	5.8 (4.4)	14	5.4 (3.2)	13	4.8 (3.8)	14	3.6 (4.3)		5.0
Ongoing (per year)														
Current	17	1.9 (2.4)	17	1.9 (2.4)	17	2.2 (2.5)	17	2.2 (2.5)	15	1.7 (2.4)	17	1.5 (2.2)		1.9
Suggested	16	4.3 (2.0)	16	5.1 (2.7)	16	5.8 (2.7)	14	4.6 (2.0)	14	4.1 (2.1)	14	4.4 (2.1)		4.7
Difference	12	2.0 (3.4)	12	2.8 (4.0)	12	2.9 (4.7)	11	1.9 (3.5)	10	2.1 (3.7)	11	2.5 (3.6)		2.4

SD = standard deviation.

For current and suggest thresholds, *n* is the total number of respondents (*N* = 21) minus those with missing data (answered “I don’t know”). For difference in thresholds, *n* is the total number of respondents who had nonmissing data for both current and suggested thresholds. No minimum number threshold—either current or suggested—was coded as zero.