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Exam HAAD-RN

HAAD Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses

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Question No : 1

When discovering a medication error, the nurse's FIRST action is to?

- A. Call the nurse supervisor
- B. Call the physician
- C. Fill out a medication error reporting form
- D. Assess the patient's condition

Answer: D

Question No : 2

While preparing for a kidney biopsy the nurse should position the patient:

- A. Prone with a sandbag under the abdomen
- B. Lateral opposite to biopsy site
- C. Supine in bed with knee flexion
- D. Lateral flexed knee-chest

Answer: A

Question No : 3

A patient with a central venous line develops sudden clinical manifestations that include a decrease in blood pressure, an elevated heart rate, cyanosis, tachypnea, and changes in mental status. Which of the following is the most likely cause of these symptoms?

- A. An air embolism
- B. Circulatory overload
- C. Venous thrombosis
- D. Developing bacteremia

Answer: A

Question No : 4

Order: 1000 ml of D5W to run for 12 hours. Using a micro drip set calculate the drops per minute (gtts/min):

- A. 20 gtts/min
- B. 45 gtts/min
- C. 60 gtts/min
- D. 83 gtts/min

Answer: D

Question No : 5

A patient voided a urine specimen at 9:00 AM. The specimen should be sent to the laboratory before:

- A. 9:30 AM
- B. 10:00 AM
- C. 10:30 AM
- D. 11:00 AM

Answer: A

Question No : 6

An 84-year-old man has arthritis and is admitted for a severely edematous knee. The physician orders heat packs every 2 hours and you feel this order may worsen the tissue congestion. An appropriate nursing action would be:

- A. Contact the physician and discuss your concerns about the order
- B. To include the order in the nursing care plan and monitor outcome
- C. Complete an incident report form and document concerns in the nursing notes
- D. Involve the patient by asking what his treatment preference is

Answer: A

Question No : 7

The minimal amount of urine that a post-operative patient weighing 60 kgs should pass is?

- A. 120 ml/hr
- B. 90 ml/hr
- C. 60 ml/hr
- D. 30 ml/hr

Answer: D

Question No : 8

When caring for a patient with impaired mobility that occurred as a result of a stroke (right sided arm and leg weakness). The nurse would suggest that the patient use which of the following assistive devices that would provide the best stability for ambulating?

- A. Crutches
- B. Single straight-legged cane
- C. Quad cane
- D. Walker

Answer: C

Question No : 9

While assessing a patient, the nurse learns that he has a history of allergic rhinitis, asthma, and multiple food allergies. The nurse must:

- A. Be alert to hypersensitivity response to the prescribed medications
- B. Encourages the patient to carry an epinephrine kit in case of an allergic reaction
- C. Advise the patient to use aspirin in case of febrile illnesses
- D. Admit the patient to a single room with limited exposure to health care personnel

Answer: A

Question No : 10

A patient who has just had a miscarriage at 8 weeks of gestation is admitted to hospital. In

caring for this patient, the nurse should be alert for signs of:

- A. Dehydration
- B. Subinvolution
- C. Hemorrhage
- D. Hypertension

Answer: C

Question No : 11

The nurse should observe for which of the following symptoms in a patient who has just undergone a total thyroidectomy:

- A. Weight gain
- B. Depressed reflexes
- C. Muscle spasm and twitching
- D. Irritable behavior

Answer: C

Question No : 12

A patient is ordered 75mg of pethidine which comes in an ampoule of 100mg/2ml. What would the nurse do with the remaining pethidine after drawing up the required dose?

- A. Lock up the remaining dose in the medication cupboard to use later
- B. Ask a fellow staff nurse to witness the disposal of the remaining drug
- C. Use the remaining dose within 2 hours for another patient
- D. Pour the remaining dose down the nearest sink

Answer: B

Question No : 13

A patient is to receive 50mL of fluid in 1/2 hour (30 min). The infusion pump should be set to deliver how many milliliters per hour?

- A. 25 ml/hr
- B. 50 ml/hr
- C. 75 ml/hr
- D. 100 ml/hr

Answer: D

Question No : 14

A male patient with a right pleural effusion noted on a chest X-ray is being prepared for thoracentesis. The patient experiences severe dizziness when sitting upright. To provide a safe environment, the nurse assists the patient to which position for the procedure?

- A. Prone with head turned toward the side supported by a pillow
- B. Sims' position with the head of the bed flat
- C. Right side-lying with the head of the bed elevated 45 degrees
- D. Left side-lying with the head of the bed elevated 45 degrees

Answer: D

Question No : 15

After application of a cast in the upper extremity, the patient complains of severe pain in the affected site. Which of the following would the nurse initiate?

- A. Administer analgesics as ordered
- B. Assess neurovascular status
- C. Notify his physician
- D. Pad the edges of the cast

Answer: B

Question No : 16

The best dietary advice a nurse can give to a woman diagnosed with mild pregnancy-induced hypertension is to:

- A. Follow a strict low salt diet
- B. Restrict fluid intake
- C. Increase protein intake
- D. Maintain a well-balanced diet

Answer: D

Question No : 17

A nurse has been working in a general hospital on the same medical unit for 6 years. The Behavioral Unit is desperately short staffed and the nurse is asked to work her shift in this other unit. What would be the expected response of the nurse to this request?

- A. "I will go to the unit and hopefully the behavioral health staff members will assist me with my assignment."
- B. "I cannot go. I have no previous behavioral health experience. I do not want to reduce the quality of patient care."
- C. "I have no previous behavioral health experience. I am willing to go and help with any duties that are similar to those I perform on my unit."
- D. "I should not be expected to float to another unit without a proper orientation. I will fill out an incident report if I am sent there."

Answer: C

Question No : 18

A patient is to receive 25mg/hr of an aminophylline infusion. The solution prepared by the pharmacy contains 500mg of aminophylline in 1000ml of D5W. How many milligrams are available per ml?

- A. 0.25 mg/ml
- B. 0.5 mg/ml
- C. 1 mg/ml
- D. 2 mg/ml

Answer: B

Question No : 19

A patient with pneumonia is coughing up purulent thick sputum. Which one of the following nursing measures is most likely helpful to loosen the secretions?

- A. Postural drainage
- B. Breathing humidified air
- C. Percussion over the affected lung
- D. Coughing and deep breathing exercises

Answer: B

Question No : 20

A 21 year old woman is being treated for injuries sustained in a car accident. The patient has a central venous pressure (CVP) line insitu. The nurse recognizes that CVP measurements:

- A. Estimate Cardiac output
- B. Assess myocardial workload
- C. Determine need for fluid replacement
- D. Determine ventilation - perfusion mismatch

Answer: C

Question No : 21

A construction worker was brought to the emergency department and admitted with the diagnosis of heat stroke due to strenuous physical activity during hot weather conditions. Which action should the nurse take?

- A. Immediately immerse the patient in cold water to reduce the patient's temperature
- B. Administer an antipyretic such as aspirin or acetaminophen
- C. Place ice packs to the neck, axillae, scalp and groin
- D. Encourage foods and oral fluids that contain carbohydrates and electrolytes

Answer: C

Question No : 22

Thirty minutes after starting a blood transfusion a patient develops tachycardia and tachypnea and complains of chills and low back pain. The nurse recognizes these symptoms as characteristic of:

- A. Circulatory overload
- B. Mild allergy
- C. Febrile response
- D. Hemolytic reaction

Answer: D

Question No : 23

As a part of the treatment given to a child with leukemia the child is placed on reverse barrier isolation to:

- A. Protect the child from injury
- B. Protect the child from infectious agents
- C. Provide the child with a quiet environment
- D. Keep the child away from other children

Answer: B

Question No : 24

The rationale for having the patient void before an abdominal paracentesis procedure is to:

- A. Minimize discomfort
- B. Avoid abdominal distention
- C. Prevent bladder puncture
- D. Reduce infection rate

Answer: C

Question No : 25

The best time for the nurse to teach an anxious patient about the patient controlled

analgesic (PCA) pump would be during which of the following stages of patient care?

- A. Post-operative
- B. Pre-operative
- C. Intraoperative
- D. Post anesthesia

Answer: B

Question No : 26

To maintain the airway and promote respiratory function, the best position for the nurse to place the unconscious patient in the Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU) is:

- A. Supine
- B. Lateral
- C. Trendelenberg
- D. Fowler's

Answer: B

Question No : 27

When the post-operative patient returns to the surgical unit, the priority is to:

- A. Assess the patient's pain
- B. Measure the patient's vital signs
- C. Monitor the rate of the IV infusion
- D. Check the physician's post-operative orders

Answer: B

Question No : 28

When taking routine post-operative observations on a patient who underwent an exploratory laparotomy, the nurse plans to monitor which important finding over the next hour?