

- c. Provide coverage for the nurses' breaks.
 - d. Review facility policies for taking scheduled breaks.
27. A nurse is preparing to delegate bathing and turning of a newly admitted client who has end-stage bone cancer to an experienced assistive personnel (AP). Which of the following assessments should the nurse make before delegating care?
- a. Has the AP checked the client's pain level prior to turning her? (*RN only - do not delegate what you can EAT = evaluate, assess, teach*)
 - b. Is the client's family present so the AP can show them how to turn the client? (*this is not necessary*)
 - c. **Has data been collected about specific client needs related to turning?** (*Assessment of holistic care r/t pt needs and what the experienced AP can do*)
 - d. Does the AP have the time to change the client's central IV line dressing after turning her? (*AP cannot change dressings*)
28. A nurse is preparing to transfer a client from the emergency department to a medical-surgical unit using the SBAR communication tool. Which of the following information should the nurse include in the background portion of the report?
- a. A prescribed consultation -under situation
 - b. **The client's vital signs**
 - c. The client's name -under situation
 - d. The client's code status -under situation
29. A nurse is planning discharge for a client who has rheumatoid arthritis. Which of the following statements by the client should the nurse identify as an indication that a referral to an *occupation therapist* is necessary?
- a. "I need some help planning my meals to maintain my weight."
 - b. "I am tired of having pain in my joints all the time."
 - c. "I'm having difficulty climbing the stairs at my house."
 - d. **"I will need assistance with bathing."**
30. A nurse in the emergency department is caring for a 16-year-old client who reports abdominal pain and is accompanied by an adult neighbor. The provider diagnoses a ruptured appendix and states that the client requires an emergency appendectomy. Which of the following actions should the nurse?
- a. Ask the adult neighbor to sign the consent form.
 - b. Obtain consent from the hospital administrator.
 - c. Witness the client signing the consent form.
 - d. **Attempt to notify the client's guardian to obtain consent.**
31. A nurse on a medical-surgical unit is caring for four clients. Which of the following findings is the highest priority?
- a. **A client who had a cardiac catheterization whose capillary refill in the great toe is 4 seconds**
 - b. A client who has COPD and has an oxygen saturation of 90%
 - c. A client who had a cholecystectomy 6 hr ago and is requesting pain medication
 - d. A client whose TPN was discontinued 4 hr ago and is requesting clear liquids
32. A charge nurse suspects that a staff nurse is chemically impaired. Which of the following actions should the charge nurse take?
- a. Assign clients who are not prescribed narcotics to the staff nurse.
 - b. **Collect data about the staff nurse to support further action.**
 - c. Report the staff nurse to the facility ethics committee.
 - d. Counsel the staff nurse about substance use.
33. A nurse is assessing a client's comprehension of a pulmonary function test prior to the procedure. Which of the following client statements indicates to the nurse an understanding of the procedure?
- a. "I will be given contrast dye during this test."
 - b. **"I might have to wear a nose clip during this test."**
 - c. "I might have a tube inserted into my airway during the test."
 - d. "I will run on a treadmill during this test."
34. A nurse in the emergency department is triaging four clients. Which of the following clients should the nurse recommend to be examined first?
- a. A toddler who has a 2 cm (0.79 in) head laceration oozing dark red blood
 - b. An adolescent client who has an injured ankle and reports a pain level of 8 on a scale from 0 to 10

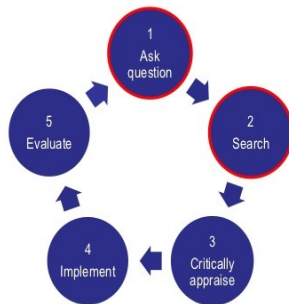
43. A charge nurse is teaching a newly licensed nurse about proper cleaning of equipment used for a client who has *Clostridium difficile*. Which of the following solutions should the nurse recommend to clean the equipment?
- Chlorine bleach**
 - Triclosan
 - Chlorhexidine
 - Isopropyl alcohol
44. A nurse is assessing an older adult client who was brought to the emergency department by his adult son, who reports that the client fell at home. The nurse suspects elder abuse. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?
- Treat and discharge the client.
 - Ask the client's son to go to the waiting area.**
 - File an incident report.
 - Ask the client about his injuries with the son present
45. A nurse is completing discharge teaching with a client who is being treated for tuberculosis (TB). Which of the following statements by the client indicates an understanding of the teaching?
- "I need to take my prescribed medication for 3 months."
 - "I should have a sputum culture done every 2 to 4 weeks."**
 - "I need to have a TB skin test done once per year."
 - "I should wear a mask while around my family."
46. An older adult client is awaiting surgery for a fractured right hip. The nurse should recognize that which of the following can be *delegated to an assistive personnel*?
- Checking the pulses of the client's right foot
 - Recording the client's vital signs**
 - Turning the client
 - Determining the client's pain level
47. A charge nurse in the newborn nursery is delegating tasks to an assistive personnel (AP). Which of the following is an *appropriate task for the AP*?
- Inspect the skin of a newborn who is receiving phototherapy. - Assess
 - Answer the parents' questions about newborn circumcision. - Teaching
 - Show a new mother how to change the newborn's diaper. - Teaching
 - Obtain the weight of a newborn that is receiving formula**
48. A nurse is orienting a newly licensed nurse about the use of restraints. Which of the following statements by the newly licensed nurse indicates an understanding of the teaching?
- "A provider can write a prescription for restraints 'as needed'."
 - "I need to tie the restraint to the part of the bed frame that moves."
 - "I should tie the restraints using a square knot."
 - "I will remove a client's restraints every 4 hours."**
49. An infection control nurse is planning an education program for a group of newly licensed nurses. Which of the following infections should the nurse include when discussing illnesses requiring **droplet precautions**?
- Mumps**
 - Rubeola
 - Varicella
 - Rotavirus
50. A nurse is caring for a client who has cancer. The client and her partner are asking the nurse about hospice care. Which of the following statements by the nurse is appropriate?
- "Hospice care will prolong the life expectancy of clients who are terminally ill."
 - "Hospice care is a multidisciplinary program for clients who are terminally ill."**
 - "Hospice care is helpful for clients at various stages of chronic illness."
 - "Hospital access is no longer available for clients who are in hospice care."
51. A nurse is planning care for a client who has Addison's disease. Which of the following tasks should the nurse plan to delegate to an *assistive personnel*?
- Decide how often to measure vital signs.
 - Explain to the client about a 24-hr urine specimen collection.
 - Determine the client's muscle strength prior to ambulation.
 - Remind the client to change positions slowly.**

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- **A wheeled office chair at the client's computer desk**
 - A raised vinyl seat on the toilet in the bathroom
 - **A throw rug covering some cracked floor**
 - **A folding chair without arm rests**
 - A two wheeled walker used to assist the client with ambulation
8. A nurse manager is planning to assign care for four clients on a medical surgical unit. Which of the following clients should the nurse assign to a LPN
- a. An older adult who has lung cancer and has periodic episodes of severe dyspnea
 - b. **A middle adult client who has a below the knee amputation and requires a dressing change**
 - c. A young adult client who is postoperative, receiving morphine via epidural, and reports pruritus
 - d. An adolescent who requires teaching regarding insulin administration
9. While auditing the medical records of clients currently on an oncology unit, the nurse manager finds that six of the 15 records lack documentation regarding advance directives. Which of the following is the priority for the nurse to take?
- a. Remind nurses to obtain this information during the admission process
 - b. Reinforce the potential consequences of not having his information on record to the nursing staff
 - c. **Meet with nursing staff to review the policy regarding advance directive**
 - d. Ask nurse who are caring for client without his information in the medical record to obtain it
10. A nurse is caring for a group of clients. Which of the following should the nurse see first?
- a. A client who is postoperative and has a fever.
 - b. A client whose pressure ulcer has serosanguineous drainage on the dressing
 - c. **A client who has diabetes mellitus and is diaphoretic**
 - d. A client who has a fractured hip and reports a pain level of 7 on a scale from 0-10
11. A nurse is receiving change-of-shift report for four clients. Which of the following clients should the nurse care for first?
- a. **A client who is 4 hr postoperative following hernia repair and has pitting edema of the right leg**
 - b. A client who is scheduled for an intermittent enteral feeding in 2 hr and reports diarrhea
 - c. A client who has pneumonia and requires a tracheostomy dressing change
 - d. A client who has a new colostomy and requires discharge teaching
12. A nurse manager discovers a conflict between nurses working the day shift and nurses working on the night shift. Which of the following actions should the nurse manager take first?
- a. Acknowledge the conflict and encourage the nurses to focus on working as a team
 - b. **Gather information regarding the situation**
 - c. Encourage the nurses to resolve the conflict autonomously
 - d. Meet with a committee from each shift to discuss issues related to the conflict
13. A nurse in an urgent care clinic is admitting a client who has been exposed to a liquid chemical in an industrial setting. Which of the following actions should the nurse take first?
- a. **Don personal protective equipment**
 - b. Irrigate the exposed area with water
 - c. Remove the client's clothing
 - d. Report the incident to OSHA
14. A newly licensed nurse realizes that she administered metoprolol 25 mg PO to the wrong client. Which of the following actions should the nurse perform first?
- a. Complete an incident report
 - b. **Measure the client's vital signs**
 - c. Inform the nurse manager
 - d. Call the provider
15. A nurse is assessing a client who has meningitis. Which of the following findings should the nurse report to the provider immediately?
- a. **Decreased level of consciousness**
 - b. Generalized rash over trunk
 - c. Increased temperature
 - d. Report of photophobia

- o Check a client's pain level 30 min after receiving acetaminophen
 - o Administer the initial bolus feeding to a client who has an NG tube
 - o **Collect a urine specimen from a newly admitted client**
 - o Instruct a client to splint an abdominal incision
10. A nurse is teaching a class of newly licensed nurses about evidence-based practice. The nurse should include which of the following as a first step in evidence-based practice.
- o Collect evidence from a variety of sources
 - o **Develop a clinical question**
 - o Apply research to client care practice
 - o Critically assess the evidence

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11. A nurse is inspecting a client's IV pump prior to use. The nurse should leg and report which of the following safety hazards?
- o The electrical cord is taped to the floor
 - o The IV pump is plugged into an outlet close to the bed
 - o The IV pump has a free-flow stopcock device
 - o **The electric plug has two short prongs – (Must be 3 prongs)**
12. A nurse who is caring for a group of clients, delegates collection of vital signs to an assistive personnel. Which of the following actions should the nurse take to evaluate the delegated task?
- o **Recheck vital signs that are outside the expected reference range**
 - o Review the vital sign trends at the end of the shift.
 - o Ask the AP to write a summary of the delegated tasks during the shift.
 - o Compare the vital signs the AP obtained with those taken by another AP on a previous shift.
13. A nurse is caring for a client who has signed consent for the removal of the tumor in the left frontal lobe of the brain. The client states, "The tumor is on the right side of my head." Which of the following actions should the nurse take?
- o Continue with the surgery because the client already gave informed consent.
 - o **Ask the surgeon to clarify the operative site with the client**
 - o Contact the surgery department to validate the operative site
 - o Tell the client to mark the right side of his head with indelible ink
14. A nurse is preparing to witness a client's signature on an informed consent for a surgical procedure. Which of the following actions is the nurse's responsibility?
- o **Ensuring the client appears competent to consent to the procedure**
 - o Discussing options for the alternative therapies with the client
 - o Providing the client with a complete description of the procedure
 - o Explaining the risks associated with the procedure to the client
15. A charge nurse witnesses two nurses having a loud discussion at the nurses' station about not wanting to care for a client who has drug-resistant tuberculosis. Which of the following actions should the charge nurse take?
- o Make arrangements to take over the client's care.
 - o Contact the house supervisor to mediate the conflict

- Determine goals
 - Implement recommended strategies
 - Revise the plan.
 - Evaluate the results
9. A nurse is orienting to an emergency department. The nurse is asked to assist with suturing of a laceration on a client's hand. Which of the following is the best resource for this nurse?
- a. The preceptor on the clinical unit
 - b. **The provider suturing the client's injury**
 - c. The nursing supervisor
 - d. The information on the suture package
10. A client is brought to the emergency department (ED) following a motor-vehicle crash. Drug use is suspected in the crash, and a voided urine specimen is ordered. The client repeatedly refuses to provide the specimen. Which of the following is the appropriate action by the nurse?
- a. Assess the client for urinary retention.
 - b. Obtain a provider's prescription for a blood alcohol level.
 - c. Tell the client that a catheter will be inserted.
 - d. **Document the client's refusal in the chart.**
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 - c. **Meet with nursing staff to review the policy regarding advance directives.**
 - d. Reinforce the potential consequences of not having this information on record to the nursing staff.
12. A nurse who is precepting a newly licensed nurse is discussing the client assignment for the shift. Which of the following actions should the nurse preceptor take first to demonstrate appropriate time management?
- a. **Determine client care goals.**
 - b. Review the client's new laboratory values.
 - c. Complete required tasks.
 - d. Document assessment data.
13. A facility provides annual staff education regarding ethical practice. A charge nurse recognizes a need for further education when which of the following behaviors is observed?
- a. A nurse gives prescribed opioids to a client who has a terminal illness and respirations of 8/min.
 - b. A nurse refuses to actively participate during an elective abortion procedure scheduled for her client.
 - c. A nurse informs a confused client who wants to go home that he is going to stay at the facility until he is better.
 - d. **A nurse explains to a client's family that a DNR includes withholding comfort measures.**
14. A nurse is caring for a client who is unconscious and whose partner is his health care proxy. The partner has spoken with the provider and wishes to discontinue the client's feeding tube. The provider states to the nurse, "I will not discontinue this client's treatment. His partner has no right to make decisions regarding the client's care." Which of the following responses by the nurse is appropriate?
- a. "We'll need to have the nursing supervisor review the client's advance directives."
 - b. "You should consider speaking with the facility's ethics committee before making your decision."
 - c. "You have the right to make that decision, even if the partner is the client's health care proxy."
 - d. **"The client has designated his partner as health care proxy in his advance directives."**
15. A parish nurse is making a referral to a community meal delivery program for a member of the congregation. This is an example of which of the following functions of the parish nurse?
- a. Health educator
 - b. **Liaison**
 - c. Pastoral care provider
 - d. Personal health counselor
16. A nurse is preparing to discharge a client back to a long-term care facility after he was admitted to an acute care facility 2 days ago for pneumonia. Which of the following information should the nurse include in the verbal transfer report?
- a. Laboratory results within the expected reference range
 - b. **Level of consciousness**

53. A nurse is working on a quality improvement team that is assessing an increase in client falls at a facility. After problem identification, which of the following actions should the nurse plan to take first as part of the quality improvement process?

- a. Review current literature regarding client falls.
- b. **Identify clients who are at risk for falls.**
- c. Notify staff of the increased fall rate.
- d. Implement a fall prevention plan.

54. To receive a conflict between staff members regarding potential changes in policy, a nurse manager decides to implement the changes she prefers regardless of the feelings of those who oppose those changes. Which of the following conflict-resolution strategies is the nurse manager using?

- a. Compromising
- b. Cooperating
- c. **Competing**
- d. Collaborating

55. A nurse is assisting with the orientation of a newly licensed nurse. The newly licensed nurse is having trouble focusing and has difficulty completing care for his assigned clients. Which of the following interventions is appropriate?

- a. Ask other staff members to take over some of his tasks.
- b. Advise him to complete less time-consuming tasks first.
- c. **Recommend that he take time to plan at the beginning of his shift.**
- d. Offer to provide care for his clients while he takes a break.

56. Client satisfaction surveys from a surgical unit indicate that pain is not being adequately relieved during the first 12 hr postoperatively. The unit manager decides to identify postoperative pain as a quality indicator. Which of the following data sources will be helpful in determining the reason why clients are not receiving adequate pain management after surgery?

- a. Prospective chart audit
- b. Pain assessment policy
- c. **Postoperative care policy**
- d. Retrospective chart audit

57. The mother of a client with breast cancer states, "It's been hard for her, especially after losing her hair. And it has been difficult to pay for all the treatments." Which of the following actions is appropriate client advocacy?

- a. The nurse suggests counseling for the client's body image issues.
- b. **The nurse investigates potential resources to help the client purchase a wig.**
- c. The nurse informs the next shift nurse regarding the mother's concerns.
- d. The nurse explains to the mother that most clients with cancer lose their hair.

58. A nurse performing triage during a mass casualty incident should recognize that which of the following clients should be transported to the hospital first?

- a. A client who has a 4-inch laceration on the forearm
- b. A client who has an open fracture of the femur
- c. **A client who reports substernal chest pain radiating to the neck**
- d. A client who has a penetrating head injury and fixed and dilated pupils

59. A nurse is caring for an older adult client who has a Stage III pressure ulcer. The nurse requests a consultation with the wound care specialist. Which of the following actions by the nurse is appropriate when working with a consultant?

- a. Request the consultation after several wound care treatments are tried.
- b. **Arrange the consultation for a time when the nurse caring for the client is able to be present for the consultation.**
- c. Provide the consultant with subjective opinions and beliefs about the client's wound care.
- d. Arrange for the wound care nurse specialist to see the client daily to provide the recommended treatment.

60. Which of the following items must be discarded in a biohazard waste receptacle?

- a. A bedsheet from a client with bacterial pneumonia
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15. A nurse tells the unit manager, "I am tired of all the changes on the unit. If things don't get better, I'm going to quit." Which of the following responses by the unit manager is appropriate?

- a. **so you are upset about all the changes on the unit**
- b. I think you have a right to be upset. I am tired of changes too
- c. just stick with it a little longer. Things will get better soon
- d. you should file a written complaint with hospital administration

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16. According to HIPPA regulation, which of the following is a violation of client confidentiality?

- a. telephoning the pharmacy with a prescription for the spouse to pick up
- b. providing a copy of the record to the transporting paramedic
- c. reporting a client's disposition to the referring provider
- d. informing housekeeping staff that the client is in the dialysis unit.

17. A nurse preceptor is evaluating a newly licensed nurse's competency in assisting with sterile procedure. Which of the following actions indicates the nurse is maintaining sterile techniques (select all that apply)?

- a. opens the sterile pack by first unfolding the flap farthest from her body
- b. rests the cap of solution container upside down on the sterile field
- c. holds a bottle of sterile solution 15cm (6 inches) above the sterile field
- d. Places sterile items within a 1.25cm (1/2 inch) border around the edges of the sterile field.

18. A nurse is providing care for four postoperative clients. The nurse should assess the client

- a. whose pulse has been steadily increasing during the past shift
- b. who is reporting pain level of 8 on a scale of 0-10
- c. whose urine output has averaged 12ml/hr for the past 24hrs
- d. who is reporting nausea after the prescribed antiemetic was administered

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- a. NPH insulin 10 units before meals and at bedtime
- b. Haloperidol(Haldol)1mgbymouth
- c. Multivitamin every morning by mouth
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