

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 1) Which of the following situations represents a violation of a Patient's Bill of Rights? 1) _____
- A) The 3-year-old child cries and screams, "No, No," and the nurse continues to restrain the child for placement of an intravenous catheter
 - B) The client is placed in a ward-style room with three other children. The only privacy is provided by curtains that can enclose three sides of the bed
 - C) The nurse leaves the client's chart open on the bedside table in the room of an infant when the nurse is called to another client's room
 - D) The nurse discusses the client's treatment with the social worker, therapist, and chaplain as part of the management team

Answer: C

- Explanation:
- A) The nurse is legally responsible to protect client information such as the chart from public view. A 3-year-old child cannot refuse treatment in this way and the nurse is protecting the child from injury by continuing to restrain the child. It is appropriate to discuss the client with the case management team to provide client care. A ward situation does not violate client privacy unless the nurse fails to draw the curtain during procedures.
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- 2) The parents of a child newly identified with a terminal diagnosis ask to talk about the diagnosis with the nurse. The nurse should: 2) _____
- A) Recommend that the family meet with the social worker, nursing staff, and chaplain.
 - B) Refuse to discuss any issues with the parents until they sign the “do not resuscitate” order.
 - C) Tell the parents that it is always best to take the child home and contact hospice for care.
 - D) Tell the parents that it is best that the child not know about the diagnosis.

Answer: A

- Explanation:
- A) A care team should be made available to discuss all treatment options from a holistic point of view. The other choices—the “do not resuscitate” order, keeping the diagnosis from the client, and the recommendation of hospice home care– all involve the nurse determining what is best. The nurse should remain objective and supportive of the client and family wishes.
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- 3) Ethical issues affecting mothers and children: 3) _____
- A) May require resolution through the legal system and the courts.
 - B) Often require that the nurse make decisions for the client based on the Professional Code of Ethics.
 - C) Should always be explained to the client and family by the physician.
 - D) Are complicated issues because there are rarely laws that define the solutions.

Answer: A

Explanation: A) Ethical issues are often without a right or wrong answer and may only be resolved in the courts. The nurse is responsible for providing information to the client; the nurse will never make decisions for the client. The nurse should provide information so that the client and family can make informed decisions about their care. Laws often offer solutions to ethical dilemmas, but sometimes laws can complicate ethical discussions.

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4) Choose all of the following that represent appropriate documentation as part of a nursing note.

4) _____

- A) "Client's mother was rude to the respiratory therapist."
- B) "The leg wound measured 2 x 4 cm."
- C) "The doctor circumcised the client."
- D) "18 gauge Foley catheter inserted using sterile technique."
- E) "I gave the client morphine for her pain."

Answer: B, D

- Explanation:
- A) The description of a wound should be detailed and including specific measurements is appropriate. It is important to document completely, including the size of the catheter and how it was inserted (with sterile technique). The other choices offer information that is not appropriate or complete. Documentation should be objective and not appear to judge an individual. Describing the mother as rude should not be part of the client chart. The morphine should be documented as to dosage, route, and pain level. The circumcision note is not complete as it does not include the type of circumcision, anesthesia, and how the procedure was tolerated by the client.
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5) The nurse has documented the following in the client's chart: "05/01/07, 0800, 100 mg ampicillin given." What else should be documented in the client's record? 5) _____

A) Route of administration

B) Expiration date

C) Physician's name

D) Drug strength

Answer: A

Explanation: A) Always document the dose, route, and time of medication administration. The other choices are not part of the documentation process.

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6) A couple decides that they no longer want any of the embryos from their in-vitro fertilization attempts. The nurse should inform the couple that:

6) _____

- A) The embryos should be donated to a laboratory for research.
- B) If their embryos die, they will be financially responsible for funeral expenses.
- C) They will need to follow state and federal laws and examine their own philosophical beliefs.
- D) They can terminate parental rights and give the embryos to another couple.

Answer: C

Explanation: A) The role of the nurse in legal/ethical issues is to listen, support, and inform clients about any laws affecting their decision. The nurse should help the clients determine what is best for them within their own belief system. The other choices are not reasonable and involve the nurse limiting the choice given to the clients.

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- 7) The parents of a child born with a minor cardiac defect have refused any treatment for the problem. 7) _____
With medication and a minor procedure, the child has an excellent prognosis. Which of the following groups would address this situation?
- A) The state board of nursing
 - B) The local police or sheriff's department
 - C) The Joint Commission of Hospital Accreditation (JCAHO)
 - D) The hospital ethics committee

Answer: D

- Explanation:
- A) This case should be evaluated by the hospital ethics committee. The other organizations, the Joint Commission and state board of nursing do not have any responsibility in specific cases involving ethics. The police or sheriff's department would not be involved in this situation.
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8) Healthy People 2010 is a program that includes:

8) _____

- A) A health care funding system for high-risk, low-income women of reproductive age.
- B) Federal funding to supplement school lunches for children living in poverty.
- C) State-mandated programs to provide health care for children without private insurance.
- D) National Health Care goals and objectives to promote a healthier population.

Answer: D

- Explanation:
- A) Healthy People 2010 is the follow-up program to Healthy People 2000, which set goals and interdisciplinary outcomes for encouraging *all* Americans to develop healthier lifestyles. The other programs each address specific segments of the population only.
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- 9) The nurse sees that a 3-year-old has had multiple injuries in the past year, including a broken arm, large scalp laceration, and several broken ribs. The most appropriate nursing action is to: 9) _____
- A) Remind the parents that children are prone to injuries and provide a handout on home safety.
 - B) Notify both parents of any suspicions and record exactly what each parent says.
 - C) Document in the client's chart in brief general terms to avoid liability.
 - D) Report to local authorities according to facility policy the suspicious assessment findings.

Answer: D

- Explanation:
- A) The nurse is legally obligated to report suspected abuse and the facility policy is the correct document to consult and follow. The nurse who concludes that the injuries are accidental may place the client at risk for further injuries. All documentation should be detailed and very specific, and the parents should be separated from the child until the authorities decide a proper course of action.
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- 10) A parent may lose the right to make health care decisions for their child if (select all that apply): 10) _____
- A) The parent is mentally incapacitated.
 - B) The parent has refused life-saving treatments for a child.
 - C) The child professes to follow a religion that prohibits certain medical treatments.
 - D) The child has been living separately from the parent for 6 months or more.
 - E) The child is a suspected victim of abuse or neglect.

Answer: A, B, E

- Explanation:
- A) When a parent cannot demonstrate mental competence, a child is abused while in the care of the parents, or the parents refuse life-saving medical care for a child, parental rights may be terminated. A child may live separately from the parents and the parent may still have the right to make decisions for a child. The child's religious beliefs do not affect parental rights.
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11) The nurse is breaking client confidentiality when:

11) _____

- A) The nurse reports to a nurse supervisor that a 12-year-old has threatened suicide.
- B) The nurse reports that a 4-year-old has a large bruise on the buttocks.
- C) The nurse calls the parents of a 14-year-old who has requested birth control.
- D) The nurse reports to the local health department that a client has tested positive for rubella.

Answer: C

- Explanation:
- A) The adolescent may request birth control without parental notification; if the nurse notifies the parents, the client may no longer trust the nurse. Certain diseases and risks (including suicide threats and abuse) must be reported to the appropriate authorities.
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12) Which of the following adolescents could be considered emancipated?

12) _____

- A) The 16-year-old living with her husband and newborn baby
- B) The 14-year-old that resides 9 months a year at a boarding school
- C) The 17-year-old sent to a juvenile detention center by the courts
- D) The 15-year-old living with grandparents in a different state

Answer: A

Explanation: A) Emancipated adolescents will make their own health care decisions. The married teen that has a baby would be responsible for her own health and that of her child. The others would all have individuals that would make health care decisions for them, including parents, school officials, grandparents, or court appointees, so would not be considered emancipated.

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13) A nurse does not want to discuss end-of-life issues such as living wills and advance directives with the family of a terminally ill child. This represents a violation of:

13) _____

- A) Nurses Code of Ethics.
- B) Patient Self-Determination Act.
- C) HIPAA regulations.
- D) Patient's Bill of Rights.

Answer: B

Explanation: A) Living wills and advance directives are part of the treatment issues covered by the Patient Self-Determination Act. HIPPA regulations are in place to protect client identity and the inappropriate release of health care information. The Patient's Bill of Rights defines how clients can participate in their health care. The Nurses Code of Ethics was created by professional nursing organizations to establish professional practice guidelines.

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- 14) The underlying principle for ethical decision-making by the vocational/practical nurse is: 14) _____
- A) Prevent malpractice lawsuits.
 - B) Develop high moral standards for all nurses.
 - C) Protect the client from injury.
 - D) Use technology only to save time.

Answer: C

- Explanation:
- A) The goal of client care decision-making is "do no harm." The other choices are part of nursing practice, but not the basic principle for ethical decision-making.
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- 15) In describing the scope of nursing practice, the practical/vocational nurse is correct when stating: 15) _____
- A) "The scope of nursing practice changes from one practice setting to another. Inpatient nursing has a much narrower scope of practice than community-based nursing practice."
 - B) "The state board of nursing establishes general guidelines for my scope of practice, but my employer is able to authorize more advanced skills if those skills are part of my job."
 - C) "My scope of practice will change if I move to another state. I may gain or lose the ability to perform certain procedures or tasks."
 - D) "If I have studied a procedure and my supervisor has documented my competency, then that procedure becomes part of my scope of practice."

Answer: C

- Explanation:
- A) The state board of nursing determines the scope of nursing practice and there may be differences from one state to another. Within the confines of state regulations, nurses' roles within a practice facility may be modified. For example, a facility may provide a more limited scope of nursing practice but is not able to broaden the scope of a nurse's practice. Scope of nursing practice is not site dependent but applies to all nurses in any setting.
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- 1) C
- 2) A
- 3) A
- 4) B, D
- 5) A
- 6) C
- 7) D
- 8) D
- 9) D
- 10) A, B, E
- 11) C
- 12) A
- 13) B
- 14) C
- 15) C