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#### MULTIPLE CHOICE

- 1. A key step to the development of nursing research was
  - a. the endowment of nursing research chairs.
  - b. universities offering baccalaureate nursing programs.
  - c. a baccalaureate degree becoming the entry to practice.
  - d. the Canadian Nurses Association developing a research mandate.

ANS: B

	Feedback
A	Endowment of nursing research chairs did not occur until the number of nurses with PhD degrees increased.
В	Universities offering baccalaureate nursing programs provided an introduction to research within the BScN programs and led to further nursing education at the MSN and PhD levels.
С	Baccalaureate degrees becoming the entry to practice did not occur until the twenty-first century.
D	The Canadian Nurses Association did not develop a research mandate until the end of the twentieth century.

#### DIF: Cognitive Level: Application

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 2. How is nursing research significant to the profession of nursing?
  - a. Responsibility is more specifically defined.
  - b. Liability within the practice of nursing is decreased.
  - c. A specialized body of knowledge is generated for use in the delivery of health care.
  - d. The scope of nursing practice is expanded into areas formerly reserved for other disciplines.

#### ANS: C

	Feedback
Α	Research aids in documenting accountability of nurses, but professional
	guidelines regarding responsibility already exist.
В	Liability is a legal concept. Research does not promote liability.
С	Theory-based nursing research provides a foundation for evidence-informed
	nursing care.
D	Nursing research expands the discipline of nursing as it pertains to nursing
	practice.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension

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Why are nursing practice-oriented scientific investigations valuable?

- a. They validate the effectiveness of particular nursing interventions.
- b. They encourage consumers to question the quality of health care.
- c. They limit the theory base for clinical decision making.
- d. They mandate health care reform.

ANS: A

	Feedback
Α	Practice-focused research supports the effectiveness of nursing interventions and
	reinforces quality of nursing care.
В	On the contrary, they help reassure consumers about the quality of health care.
С	They support the development of the theory base for clinical decision making.
D	They reinforce the effectiveness of current nursing practice.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension

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- 4. When a change in nursing practice results in decreased cost of care, what additional factor must be considered before general implementation of this change?
  - a. Ensuring compliance of the change by nurses with diverse educational backgrounds
  - b. Maintaining or improving the quality of care resulting from the change in practice
  - c. Encouraging patients to be active partners in their health care decisions
  - d. Disseminating the change beyond the discipline of nursing

#### ANS: B

	Feedback
Α	Not all nurses are responsible for supervising compliance with new measures.
В	Nurses are accountable to maintain quality patient care despite cost-cutting
	measures.
С	Nurses should encourage patient participation in care despite cost-cutting
	measures.
D	Nurses are not responsible for reforming other disciplines.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Analysis

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 5. Why do nurses who do not conduct research need to understand the nursing research process?
  - a. To identify potential participants for clinical research studies
  - b. To assist in collecting accurate data for clinical research studies
  - c. To teach patients and families about the usefulness of participation in research
  - d. To be able to evaluate nursing research reports for relevance to their own clinical practice

ANS: D

	Feedback
Α	Nurses who do not conduct research would not influence participant identification.
В	Nurses who do not conduct research would not influence data collection.
С	Nurses who do not conduct research would not influence participant recruitment.
D	Nurses should be able to understand the research process by reading research reports and determining if they should modify their practice based on research evidence.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 6. How are nursing theory and nursing research related?
  - a. Nursing theory and nursing research are independent of each other and have no direct relationship.
  - b. Without nursing theory, research conducted by nurses would not have an impact on nursing practice.
  - c. Nursing research drives the direction and specific content of nursing theory.
  - d. Both advance the knowledge base of nursing.

#### ANS: D

	Feedback
Α	Theory and research are related to each other.
В	Research studies may be conducted without a clear theoretical framework and still influence practice.
С	Quantitative nursing research tests nursing theory but does not influence content.
D	Theory and nursing research both influence how nursing practice is conducted.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 7. Which action demonstrates the role of an intelligent consumer of nursing research?
  - a. Designing a research study
  - b. Analyzing data to determine outcomes
  - c. Evaluating the credibility of the research findings
  - d. Replicate the study in another setting to confirm the findings

ANS: C

	Feedback
A	A consumer applies research to practice. Consumers are not responsible for designing a study.
В	A consumer does not conduct data analysis of a study. The study's primary investigator analyzes data.
С	A consumer of nursing research needs to understand the research process to determine the merit and relevance of evidence for research studies.
D	A consumer can apply research findings to practice but does not have to replicate

DIF: Cognitive Level: Evaluation

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 8. In designating research functions to nursing staff, which of the following functions would you designate to a staff registered nurse?
  - a. Protecting human participants by promoting the ethical principles of research
  - b. Providing expert consultation about the way in which clinical services are delivered
  - c. Developing methods to monitor the quality of nursing practice in the clinical setting
  - d. Providing leadership by assisting others in applying scientific knowledge in nursing practice

ANS: A

	Feedback
Α	All nurses are responsible for protecting human participants in research.
В	Nurses are at the bedside implementing protocols. Expert consultation is reserved for MSN- or PhD-level nurses.
С	Developing methods is reserved for nurses with advanced education.
D	Providing leadership is reserved for nurses with advanced education.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension

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- 9. Which of the following statements regarding the role of the nurse in research is true?
  - a. Nurses must be prepared at the baccalaureate level or higher to have any role in nursing research.
  - b. Master's-prepared nurses (those with MSN, MN, or MS degrees) are primarily responsible for using the findings of nursing research in clinical practice.
  - c. One role of the registered nurse is to identify issues in clinical practice that are suitable for research.
  - d. Regardless of nursing education, the only nurse who should interpret research findings is the one who has the most comprehensive understanding of statistical analysis methods.

ANS: C

	Feedback
A	Having a role in nursing research or implementing findings is not limited to BScN and MSN nurses only.
В	Master's-prepared nurses can provide leadership to supervise how research findings are applied in the clinical area. All levels of nurses can apply research findings to practice.
С	Nurses should have an awareness of the relevance of nursing research and ask clinical questions.

#### **D** Data analysis is usually conducted by an MSN- or PhD-level nurse.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 10. Which of Florence Nightingale's actions formed the foundation for modern-day nursing research methods?
  - a. Establishing the St. Thomas Hospital School of Nursing in England
  - b. Writing the curricula for the nineteenth–century nurse training programs
  - c. Lobbying the British parliament to enact changes in law for better health care
  - d. Collecting data systematically on the health status of British soldiers during the Crimean War

#### ANS: D

	Feedback
Α	Establishing a school of nursing is not a form of scientific investigation.
В	Developing curricula is not a form of scientific investigation.
С	Lobbying a parliament is more about advocacy and health care reform.
D	Systematic, objective data collection during the Crimean War formed the basis
	for modern-day nursing research methods.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Knowledge

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 11. What was the focus of most nursing research studies conducted during the first half of the twentieth century?
  - a. Nursing education methods and outcomes
  - b. Effects of sanitation on health promotion and disease prevention
  - c. Use of epidemiology as a method of identifying risk for specific illnesses
  - d. Identification of the most effective means to disseminate positive findings from nursing research

#### <mark>ANS: A</mark>

	Feedback
Α	Nursing education has been documented to have been the focus of nursing research in the early twentieth century.
В	Disease prevention was a focus in the 1960s.
С	Florence Nightingale used epidemiology in her early research.
D	Dissemination of nursing research findings grew in the 1980s.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Knowledge

MSC: NCLEX Client Care Needs Category: Safe and Effective Care Environment; Health Promotion and Maintenance

- 12. What was the outcome of the 1932 Weir report?
  - a. Recognition of research as part of the roles and responsibilities of the registered