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*(Exam Elaborations Questions & Answers Preparation)*

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ASSESSMENT 1**

- 1. The first action the nurse should take is to assess the client for injury due to medication error.**

**Assess the client**

- 2. A nurse is reviewing the medical record of a client who received medications 1 hr ago and reports having chest pain. The nurse should recognize that chest pain can be an adverse effect of which of the following medication?**

**Albuterol**

Furosemide

Digoxin

Atenolol

- 3. A nurse is providing teaching to a client who has a new prescription for ranitidine for the treatment of Zollinger-Ellison syndrome. The nurse should explain to the client that ranitidine treats ulcers through which of the following actions?**

It decreases stomach motility

**It reduces gastric acid production**

It forms a protective barrier in the stomach lining.

It neutralizes gastric acid.

- 4. A nurse is caring for a client who has open-angle glaucoma and a new prescription for acetazolamide. Prior to administering the first dose, the nurse should ask the client if they have allergy to which of the following medication classifications?**

Nitrates

**Sulfa-based medications**

Antilipemic agents

Proton pump inhibitors

- 5. A nurse is caring for a client who has HIV and is starting therapy with ritonavir and zidovudine. The client asks why they must take both medications. Which of the following response should the nurse make?**

If you take the two medications together, it will shorten the duration of you....

**Taking the two medications together keeps you from becoming resistant to either of them.**

Taking the two medication together keeps you from developing toxicity from either of them

Zidovudine will help protect you from the possible adverse effects of ritonavir

- 6. A nurse is providing teaching to a client who has type 2 diabetes mellitus and is starting to take immediate release exenatide. Which of the following client statements indicates an understanding of the teaching?**

I will discard the open injector pen after two months  
I will inject the medication into the muscle of my thigh  
I will store open injector pens at room temperature  
I will take this medication one hour before morning and evening meals.

- 7. A nurse is providing teaching to a client who has a new prescription for folic acid. The client states I thought that was only given during pregnancy. Which of the following statements should the nurse make?**

Folic acid is important for stimulating the immune system  
Folic acid is given to increase the absorption of the medication  
Folic acid is administered to minimize the manifestations of benign prostatic hyperplasia  
Folic acid important for the building of blood cells.

- 8. A nurse in the PACU is caring for a client who has received general anesthesia and has manifestation of malignant hyperthermia. Which of the following medications should the nurse expect to administer?**

Diazepam  
Dantrolene  
Cyclobenzaprine  
Metaxalone

- 9. A nurse is caring for a client who refuses a prescribed influenza immunization. Which of the following actions should the nurse take first?**

Contact the provider who prescribed the immunization  
Ask the client to describe their concerns  
Provide the client with education about the immunization  
Document the client refusal of the immunization

- 10. A nurse is caring for a client who has a prescription for a hypotonic IV fluid. Which of the following solution the nurse expects to administer?**

0.45% sodium chloride  
0.9% sodium chloride  
3% sodium chloride  
Lactated ringers

- 11. A nurse in an emergency department is caring for a client who has a new prescription for acetylcysteine. For which of the following condition should the nurse expect to administer this medication?**

Gastrointestinal bleed  
Acute bronchospasm  
Morphine toxicity  
Acetaminophen toxicity

- 12. A nurse is obtaining vital signs for a client who has been taking propranolol. Which of the following finding should the nurse identify as an adverse effect of the medication?**

Respiratory rate 20/min  
Oral temperature 37.8  
Blood pressure 118/78 mm  
Apical pulse 50 /min

**13. A nurse is providing teaching to a client who has neuropathic pain and a new prescription for amitriptyline once per day. Which of the following information should the nurse include in the teaching?**

Increase fluids while taking the medication

Expect an elevation in blood pressure with initial doses of the medication

Stop the medication immediately if urine becomes orange in color

Take the medication in the morning

**14. A nurse is providing teaching to a client who has a new prescription for oral extended-release potassium chloride tablets. Which of the following instructions should the nurse include in the teaching?**

Do not crush this medication

Dissolve the tablet in your mouth

Take this medication on an empty stomach

Take this medication every other day

**15. A nurse is providing teaching to a client who has a new prescription for levothyroxine. Which of the following statements by the client indicates an understanding of the teaching?**

I should take this medication with food

I will take three doses each day

I might not realize the full effect of the medication for several weeks

I might gain weight while taking this medication if I do not exercise

**16. While assessing a client at the beginning of the shift a nurse notes that the client received a medication in error from the nurse on the previous shift. At which of the following times should the nurse plan to complete an incident report about the error?**

After the end of the current shift

After contacting risk management

As soon as the assessment is complete

As soon as the nurse from the previous shift has been informed

**17. A nurse is preparing to administer a second unit of packed RBCs to a client who is experiencing hemorrhagic shock. The nurse should monitor the client for which of the following manifestation as an indication of circulatory overload?**

Chills

Wheezing

Dyspnea

Flushing

**18. A nurse is planning care for a client who has neutropenia. Which of the following medication should the nurse expect to administer?**

Epoetin

Filgastrim

Enoxaparin

Oprelvekin

**19. A nurse is teaching a client who has a new prescription for brimonidine to treat open-angle glaucoma. Which of the following client statement indicate an understanding of the teaching?**

It's ok to put the drops in my eyes while I'm wearing my contacts

I can expect to feel some irritation when I put these drops in my eyes

I should expect to stop taking the medication after 3 weeks

At least these drops will help clear up the redness I get in my eyes sometimes

**20. A nurse is caring for a client who has varicella- zoster virus. Which of the following medications should the nurse expect to administer?**

Acyclovir

Vancomycin

Gentamicin

Quinine

**21. A nurse is caring for a client who is receiving a continuous intravenous infusion of heparin. The nurse should expect to administer which of the following medications if the client experiences acute heparin toxicity.**

Vitamin K

Physostigmine

Protamine

Calcium gluconate

**22. A nurse is providing teaching to a client who has Parkinson's disease and has a new prescription for carbidopa/levodopa. Which of the following instructions should the nurse include in the teaching?**

"Stop taking the medication if your urine becomes dark."

"Take this medication at the first sign of tremors."

"Increase your intake of foods high in protein."

"Move slowly when you stand up."

**23. A nurse is teaching a client who is starting subcutaneous leuprolide for the treatment of prostate cancer. Which of the following information should the nurse include in the teaching?**