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Preventing Medical Errors

1. A medical error may refer to an unpreventable adverse effect of care that is evident and causes harm to a patient.

- A. True
 - B. False
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2. According to the Joint Commission, how can health care professionals improve the accuracy of patient identification?

- A. Always use one patient identifier when providing care, treatment, or services.
 - B. Use at least two patient identifiers when administering medications, blood, or blood components.
 - C. Label containers used for blood and other specimens after leaving the presence of a patient.
 - D. Avoid labeling containers used for blood.
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3. According to the Joint Commission, health care professionals should label all medications, medication containers, and other solutions on and off the sterile field in perioperative and other procedural settings.

- A. True
 - B. False
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4. Which of the following may be considered a Joint Commission recommendation regarding the prevention of central line-associated bloodstream infections?

- A. Prior to insertion of a central venous catheter, educate patients and, as needed, their families about central line-associated bloodstream infection prevention.
 - B. Avoid sterile barrier precautions during central venous catheter insertion.
 - C. For adult patients, always insert catheters into the femoral vein.
 - D. Evaluate all central venous catheters routinely but never remove nonessential catheters.
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5. Which of the following may be considered a Joint Commission recommendation regarding the identification of safety risks inherent in patient populations?

- A. Conduct a risk assessment that identifies specific patient characteristics and environmental features that may increase or decrease the risk for suicide only if the patient is over the age of 65.
- B. Conduct a risk assessment that identifies specific patient characteristics and environmental features that may increase or decrease the risk for suicide only if the patient is under the age of

65.

- C. When a patient at risk for suicide leaves the care of the hospital, provide suicide prevention information to the patient and his or her family.
 - D. When a patient at risk for suicide leaves the care of the hospital, do not provide suicide prevention information to the patient or his or her family.
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6. Which of the following may be considered a Joint Commission recommendation regarding procedure verification?

- A. A patient should never be involved in the verification process.
 - B. A patient should never be involved in the verification process, unless the patient is over 65 years of age.
 - C. Match the items that are to be available in the procedure area to the health care professionals involved in the procedure.
 - D. Match the items that are to be available in the procedure area to the patient.
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7. In regards to hand hygiene, what is the recommended duration for a handwashing procedure using soap and water?

- A. 5 - 10 seconds
 - B. 10 - 15 seconds
 - C. 20 - 30 seconds
 - D. 40 - 60 seconds
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8. Which of the following statements is most accurate?

- A. Goggles are typically worn with a mask.
 - B. Goggles are typically worn in place of a mask.
 - C. To effectively remove goggles from the face, a health care professional should take off the goggles from the front by lifting the goggle's band and pulling them down.
 - D. To effectively remove goggles from the face, a health care professional should take off the goggles from the front by lifting the goggle's band and pulling them up.
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9. A 70-year-old male patient is initiated on Coumadin therapy. The patient has questions regarding his Coumadin therapy. Which of the following counseling points should be expressed to the patient regarding Coumadin?

- A. Coumadin is a factor Xa inhibitor anticoagulant medication.
 - B. Coumadin is contraindicated in patients with a creatinine clearance <30mL/min.
 - C. Coumadin requires INR monitoring.
 - D. Other medications and dietary changes do not typically affect INR levels achieved with Coumadin therapy.
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10. Fall precautions should only be applied to patients over the age of 65.

- A. True
 - B. False
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