

***Medical-Surgical Nursing 6th edition Stromberg Test
Bank***

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Test Bank - Chapter 01

Q: Which statement accurately describes the primary purpose of the state nurse practice act (NPA)?

- A. To test and license LPN/LVNs
- B. To define the scope of LPN/LVN practice (Correct)**
- C. To improve the quality of care provided by the LPN/LVN
- D. To limit the LPN/LVN employment placement

Q: The charge nurse asks the new vocational nurse to start an intravenous infusion, a skill that the vocational nurse has not been taught during her educational program. How should the vocational nurse respond?

- A. Ask a more experienced nurse to demonstrate the procedure.
- B. Look up the procedure in the procedure manual.
- C. Attempt to perform the procedure with supervision.
- D. Inform the charge nurse of her lack of training in this procedure. (Correct)**

Q: Which patient statement indicates a need for further discharge teaching that the vocational nurse should address?

- A. "I have no idea of how this drug will affect me." (Correct)**
- B. "Do you know if my physician is coming back today?"
- C. "Will my insurance pay for my stay?"
- D. "Am I going to have to go to a nursing home?"

Q: According to most state NPAs, the vocational nurse acting as charge nurse in a long-term care facility acts in which capacity?

- A. Working under direct supervision of an RN on the unit
- B. Working with the RN in the building
- C. Working under general supervision by the RN available on site or by phone (Correct)**
- D. Working as an independent vocational nurse

Q: The nurse is educating a patient that is a member of a health maintenance organization (HMO). Which information should the nurse include?

- A. Seek the opinion of an alternate health care provider.
- B. Contact the insurance company for coverage details as services may be limited. (Correct)**
- C. Provide detailed documentation of all care received for his condition.
- D. Wait at least 6 months to see a specialist.

Q: The patient complains to the nurse that he is confused about his "deductible" that he owes the hospital. Which statement accurately explains a deductible?

- A. An amount of money put aside for the payment of future medical bills
- B. A one-time fee for service
- C. An amount of money deducted from the bill by the insurance company
- D. An annual amount of money the patient must pay out-of-pocket for medical care (Correct)**

Q: A patient asks the nurse what Medicare Part A covers. Which response is correct?

A. Medicare Part A covers inpatient hospital costs. (Correct)

B. Medicare Part A covers reimbursement to the physician.

C. Medicare Part A covers outpatient hospital services.

D. Medicare Part A covers ambulance transportation.

Q: Which is the main cost-containment component of diagnosis-related groups (DRGs)?

A. Hospitals focus only on the specific diagnosis.

B. Hospitals treat and discharge patients quickly. (Correct)

C. Reduced cost drugs are ordered for specific diagnoses.

D. Diagnostic group classification streamlines care.

Q: The nurse is assessing a group of patients. Which patient would most likely qualify for Medicaid?

A. A 35-year-old unemployed single mother with diabetes (Correct)

B. A 70-year-old Medicare recipient with retirement income who needs to be in a long-term care facility

C. An 80-year-old blind woman living in her own home who has inadequate private insurance

D. A 67-year-old stroke victim with Medicare Part A and an income from investments

Q: Which area is the major focus of *Healthy People 2030* and the primary mechanism through which to improve the health of Americans in the second decade of the century?

A. Research funding

B. Health information distribution

C. Promoting longer, healthier lives. (Correct)

D. Health improvement program designs

Q: Which term explains the type of care that addresses interventions for all dimensions of a patient's life?

A. Focused care

B. General care

C. Directed care

D. Holistic care (Correct)

Q: A patient furiously says, "My doctor was so busy giving me instructions that he didn't hear what I was trying to ask him!" Which response is most empathetic?

A. "When people ignore me, I really get mad."

B. "I'm sure that the doctor was rushed and unaware of your needs."

C. "That sounds really frustrating." (Correct)

D. "Take a deep breath and plan what you will say to him tomorrow."

Q: The nurse is explaining differences in a therapeutic relationship and a social relationship to a patient. Which information about therapeutic relationships is most important for the nurse to include in the explanation?

A. Therapeutic relationships lack formal boundaries.

B. Therapeutic relationships are goal directed. (Correct)

- C. Therapeutic relationships meet the needs of each person in the relationship.
- D. Therapeutic relationships extend past the hospitalization period.

Q: The nurse is caring for a patient who has been on antidepressants for 3 days. The patient tearfully says, "I still feel terrible. I don't think anything can help how I feel." Which response is best?

- A. "I will tell the charge nurse how you are feeling."
- B. "You just need to be patient and give your medicine some time to work."
- C. "Look how much you have improved since you were admitted to the facility."
- D. **"It must be frustrating to be going through this difficult time." (Correct)**

Q: An overweight male patient rips off his hospital gown, throws it out the door, and shouts, "I'm not wearing this stupid gown! It is too small, too short, and exposes my backside to the world!" Which response is most appropriate?

- A. Remind patient of the need to wear the gown for convenience in care.
- B. **Confer with the patient for methods to acquire a larger gown. (Correct)**
- C. Replace the torn gown with another.
- D. Inform the charge nurse of the hostile behavior.

Q: The nurse is caring for a patient who states, "You are the only nurse who understands about my pain. Can't you give me an extra dose of pain medication?" How should the nurse respond to the patient's request?

- A. **Explain that dosage schedules are by physician's orders. (Correct)**
- B. Ignore the request.
- C. Tell the patient that his behavior is manipulative.
- D. Agree to give an extra dose of pain medication.

Q: A female patient who has recently been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor asks the nurse, "Do you think God punishes us?" Which response demonstrates therapeutic communication?

- A. **"I don't know, tell me what you think." (Correct)**
- B. "God loves you."
- C. "Would like to speak with the chaplain?"
- D. "God will not give you more than you can bear."

Q: The nurse is communicating with a patient who voices concern about an upcoming high-risk procedure. Which statement best demonstrates empathy?

- A. "Would you like to talk about your feelings regarding the procedure?"
- B. "My mother had the same procedure and did very well."
- C. "I can't imagine how you feel."
- D. **"It must be difficult preparing for the procedure; how are you feeling?" (Correct)**

Q: When an insurance company directly reimburses a licensed health care provider for services, the form of financing is called:

- A. **fee for service. (Correct)**
- B. deductible.
- C. coinsurance.
- D. copay.

Q: The nurse explains that which term refers to the severity of illness?

- A. DRG
- B. Holistic care
- C. Acuity (Correct)**
- D. Managed care

Q: Which of the following are sources of clear guidelines for upholding clinical standards for safe and competent care? (*Select all that apply.*)
(*Select all that apply.*)

- A. The state's nurse practice act (NPA)
- B. The State Board of Nurse Examiners (BNE)
- C. The National Association for Practical Nurse Education and Service (NAPNES) (Correct)**
- D. Institutional policies
- E. The National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses, Inc. (NALPN) (Correct)**

Q: Which statement(s) accurately describes the role of the LPN/LVN regardless of employment placement? (*Select all that apply.*)
(*Select all that apply.*)

- A. Uphold clinical standards. (Correct)**
- B. Educate patients. (Correct)**
- C. Communicate effectively. (Correct)**
- D. Collaborate with the health care team. (Correct)**
- E. Initiate a care plan immediately after admission.

Q: The newly licensed LPN/LVN demonstrates an understanding of employment opportunities when applying to a position in which area(s)? (*Select all that apply.*)
(*Select all that apply.*)

- A. An outpatient clinic (Correct)**
- B. A home health care agency (Correct)**
- C. An intravenous (IV) therapy team
- D. A long-term care facility (Correct)**
- E. An ambulatory care unit (Correct)**

Q: What factor(s) should the LPN/LVN consider when delegating a task to unlicensed assistive personnel (UAP)? (*Select all that apply.*)
(*Select all that apply.*)

- A. A need for the UAP to voluntarily accept the task delegated (Correct)**
- B. Continued accountability for the task by the LPN/LVN (Correct)**
- C. Assurance that the task requires no further need for supervision of the UAP
- D. An understanding that the task is in the job description of the UAP (Correct)**
- E. A transfer of authority to the UAP (Correct)**

Review Questions for the NCLEX Examination - Chapter 01

Q: The use of information and technology to communicate, manage knowledge, and prevent or mitigate error is an example of which component of patient care competency?

- A. Patient-centered care
- B. Evidence-based practice
- C. Informatics in patient care (Correct)**
- D. Quality improvement

Q: The licensed practical nurse/licensed vocational nurse (LPN/LVN) may be limited from assuming primary care responsibility for which patient?

- A. A patient who has bipolar disorder.
- B. A patient who is 3 h postpartum.
- C. A patient who has a central line venous access device. (Correct)**
- D. A patient who is 2 days postoperative for an appendectomy.

Q: The nurse observes a patient's wife sitting alone after visiting hours, crying. When the nurse approaches her, she states, "I'm so worried about him." Which is the best response by the nurse?

- A. "Tell me what is worrying you." (Correct)**
- B. "Would you like to talk with the doctor?"
- C. "Would you like to talk with the social worker?"
- D. "Are you worried about him being in the hospital?"

Q: A 70-year-old patient who was treated for a respiratory problem is to be discharged from the hospital. The patient says the physician told her that she must leave "because of DRGs." To discuss this statement with the patient, the LPN/LVN must understand that diagnostic-related groups (DRGs) are a way of reimbursing the hospital in which manner?

- A. For each day of service provided.
- B. Based on whether a patient is cured.
- C. In advance for care provided for a particular diagnosis.
- D. In a flat rate for the care of a patient with a particular diagnosis. (Correct)**

Q: A patient who has chronic pain is thinking about using complementary and alternative medicine (CAM) for assisting with pain control. When discussing this treatment option with the patient, what should the LPN/LVN remind the patient about?

- A. CAM therapies are not effective in controlling pain.
- B. CAM therapies are meant to replace prescribed medications.
- C. Questionable CAM therapies have undergone rigorous scientific testing.
- D. All herbals and supplements associated with CAM therapies should be included in their medication list. (Correct)**

Q: Which defines the roles and scopes of practice of LPN/LVNs?

- A. Medicare
- B. *Healthy People 2030*
- C. Nurse practice act (NPA) (Correct)**
- D. National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)

Q: Which is the best example for a nurse being a patient advocate?

- A. A nurse upholding the policies of the facility.
- B. A nurse calling a physician for pain medication for the patient. (Correct)**
- C. A nurse communicating effectively and thus establishing trust with the patient.
- D. A nurse asking qualified unlicensed assistive personnel to perform a selected nursing task.

Q: The nurse understands and is practicing cost containment when doing what action?

- A. Eating snacks set aside for patient use only
- B. Accidentally taking ink pens and notepads home
- C. Recycling pulse oximetry probes according to policy (Correct)**
- D. Staying clocked in when going to the hospital gift shop after work

Q: The new nurse demonstrates an understanding of the job description of the unlicensed assistive personnel (UAP) by making which statement(s)? (*Select all that apply.*)
(*Select all that apply.*)

- A. The UAP may assist the nurse with direct patient care. (Correct)**
- B. The UAP may perform care without direct supervision.
- C. The UAP is able to do whatever the nurse delegates to them.
- D. The UAP is trained and certified to perform certain nursing tasks. (Correct)**

Q: The nurse knows that the “Five Rights” of delegating consist of what? (*Select all that apply.*)
(*Select all that apply.*)

- A. Right assignment (Correct)**
- B. Right supervision (Correct)**
- C. Right staff person (Correct)**
- D. Right circumstances (Correct)**
- E. Right communication (Correct)**
- F. Right collaborative standard