

# **ATI RN COMPREHENSIVE PREDICTOR RETAKE Q & As LATEST RETAKE EXAM GUARANTEED SUCCESS 2023/2024 HIGHLY RATED A+ SCORE (NGN)**

## **Comprehensive predictor retake**

- A nurse is assessing a patient who has received an antibiotic. The nurse should identify which of the following findings as an indication of a possible allergic reaction to the medication?**
  - **Bradycardia**
  - **Headache**
  - **Joint pain**
  - **Hypotension**
  
- A nurse on a mental health unit is caring for a patient who has schizophrenia and is experiencing auditory hallucinations telling them to hurt others. The patient is refusing to take anti-psychotic medication. Which of the following responses should the nurse make?**
  - **“You should plan to take this medication for a few weeks.”**

- **“You will regret it if you do not take this medication.”**
- **“This medication will help you respond to the voices.**
- **“This medication will help you stop the voices you are hearing.”**

**A nurse is providing care for a patient who has depression and is to have electroconvulsive therapy. Which of the following conditions should the nurse identify as increasing the patient’s risk for complications?**

- **Hyperthyroidism**
- **Renal calculi**
- **Diabetes mellitus**
- **Cardiac dysrhythmias**

**A nurse is reviewing the laboratory results of a patient who has rheumatoid arthritis. Which of the following findings should the nurse report to the provider?**

- **WBC count 8,000/mm**
- **Platelets 150,000/mm**

- Aspartate aminotransferase 10 units/L

- **D. Erythrocytesedimentation 75 mm/hr**

A nurse is caring for a patient who has a tension pneumothorax. Which of the following manifestations should the nurse expect?

- **Paradoxical chest movement**
- Bilateral crackles
- Asymmetry of the chest
- Blood-tinged sputum

A nurse is caring for a patient who is at 11 weeks of gestation. Which of the following immunizations should the nurse recommend?

A. Human papillomavirus

**B. Influenza**

- Measles, mumps and rubella
- Varicella

- A nurse in a pediatric clinic is reviewing the laboratory test results of a school-age child. Which of the following findings should the nurse report to the provider?
- Hct 40%
  - Hgb 12.5 g/dL
  - Platelets 250,000/mm
  - **D. WBC 14,000/mm**
- A nurse is assessing a patient who is receiving packed RBCs. Which of the following indicates fluid overload?
- Low-back pain
  - Thready pulse
  - Hypotension
  - **D. Dyspnea**
- A nurse is preparing to administer betamethasone to a patient who is 25 weeks of gestation and has preterm labor. Which of the following findings should the nurse identify as an adverse effect of this medication?

- **Hyperglycemia**
- Uterine contractions
- Proteinuria
- Hypotension

A nurse is preparing to perform a dressing change on a preschooler. Which of the following actions should the nurse take to prepare the child for the procedure?

- **Explain in simple terms how the procedure will affect the child.**
- Ask the parents to wait outside the room during the procedure.
- Limit teaching sessions about the procedure to 20 min.
- Instruct the child in deep-breathing methods prior to the procedure.

A nurse is performing wound care for a patient who has an abdominal incision. Which of the following techniques should the nurse implement?

- Irrigate the wound using a 10-mL syringe.
- Cleanse the wound starting at the bottom and moving upward.

- Cleanse the insertion site of the drain using a circular motion towards the center.
- **D. Irrigate the wound with a low-pressure flow of solution.**

A nurse on an antepartum unit is prioritizing care for multiple patients. Which of the following patients should the nurse see first?

A. A patient who is at 36 weeks of gestation and has a biophysical profile score of 8.

**B. A patient who has preeclampsia and reports a persistent headache.**

- A patient who has pregestational diabetes mellitus and an HbA1c of 6.2%.
- A patient who is at 28 weeks of gestation and reports leukorrhea.

A nurse is caring for a patient who is recovering from an amputation of her right arm above the elbow. Which of the

following information should the nurse report the occupational therapist?

A. The patient's parent is in a skilled nursing facility.

**B. The patient has two small children at home.**

- The patient is allergic to penicillin.
- The patient lives in a two-story home.

A nurse is caring for a patient who has major depressive disorder. The patient tells the nurse, "No one cares about me. I'm completely alone." Which of the following responses should the nurse make?

- "You should join a community support group."
- "What makes you think that?"
- "Don't worry. You should be feeling better in a couple weeks."
- **"Can you give me an example of how others are making you feel this way?"**

- A nurse is caring for a patient who has sustained a severe head trauma and has significant bleeding from the nose.

Which of the following actions should the nurse take first?

- Prepare for a CT scan.
- Insert a peripheral IV line.
- **C. Establish a patent airway.**
- D. Apply direct pressure to the nose.

- A nurse is reviewing the rhythm strip of a patient who is experiencing sinus arrhythmia. Which of the following findings should the nurse expect?

- Inconsistent P wave formation.
- Ventricular and atrial rates 120/min
- P-R intervals of 0.30 seconds
- **P to QRS ratio 1:1** page 720 Med surg book

- A nurse is admitting a patient who has dementia to a long-term care facility. The patient tells the nurse that



she lived in this facility years ago and took care of all the residents by herself. The nurse should document this as which of the following findings?

- **Confabulation**
- Agnosia
- Projection
- Perseveration

A nurse is reviewing home recommendations with a patient who is postoperative following knee surgery. Which of the following recommendations should the nurse make?

- **Place a handrail in the entryway of the house.**

- Place a towel on the floor outside of the shower.
- Ensure that all area rugs are rubber-backed.
- Wear slippers with cloth soles.

A nurse is caring for an adult patient who asks about risk factors for Alzheimer's disease. Which of the following responses should the nurse take?

- "There are no known genetic mutations that cause Alzheimer's disease."
- "A diet low in carbohydrates increases the risk for Alzheimer's disease."
- "Asthma has been identified as a risk factor for Alzheimer's disease."
- "Repeated concussions increase the risk for Alzheimer's disease."

- A community health nurse is developing a plan to improve the community's environmental health. Which of the following actions should the nurse take first?
- A. Collect information about the community's environmental status.**
- Request funding from community organizations.
  - Establish a timeframe for environmental improvements.
  - Encourage community involvement in the environmental improvement.

A nurse is administering a medication to a patient. The patient reports the medication appears different than what they take at home. Which of the following responses should the nurse make?

A. "I recommend that you take this medication as prescribed."

**B. "I will call the pharmacist now to check on this medication."**

- "Did the doctor discuss with you that there was a change in this medication?"
- "Do you know why this medication is being prescribed for you?"

A nurse is admitting an adolescent who has rubella. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?

- **Isolate the patient from staff who are pregnant.**
- Administer aspirin to the patient.
- Initiate airborne precautions.
- Monitor for the development of Koplik spots.

□ A nurse is teaching the parents of a school-age child who is newly diagnosed with juvenile idiopathic arthritis. Which of the following interventions should the nurse include in the teaching?

- Have the child take a tub bath each morning.
- Apply splints to the child's extremities during the day.
- **Encourage the child to take naps during the day.**
- Keep the child on bedrest as long as pain persists.

- A nurse is caring for a patient who is 1 hr postoperative following a thoracentesis. Which of the following alterations in the patient's condition should the nurse identify as an indication of the development of a pneumothorax?
- Pallor
  - **Tracheal deviation**
  - Slow respirations
  - Bradycardia
- A nurse is caring for a patient who is experiencing cerebral edema. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?
- Administer corticosteroids
  - **Perform multiple nursing activities at one time.**
  - Place the patient in a prone position.
  - Assess the patient for a positive Trousseau sign.

A nurse is caring for a school-age child who has sickle-cell anemia and is experiencing avaso-occlusivecrisis. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?

- Place the child on bed rest.

- Decrease the child's

oral fluid intake.

- **C. Administer meperidineto the child.**

D. Apply cold compresses to the child's joints.

A nurse is providing teaching about the administration of gastronomy tube feedings tothe parents of aschool-age child. Which of the following instructions should the nurse include?

- **Administer the feeding over 30 min.**

- Change the feeding bag and tubing every 3 days.

- Warm the formula in the microwave prior to administration

- Place the child in a supine position after the feeding.

A nurse is caring for a patient who has a fracture of the left hip and is in skeletal traction. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?

- Increase the amount of weight if the patient experiences muscle spasms.
- Remove the traction weights when bathing the patient.
- Ensure there is no space between the traction weights and the bed.
- **D. Provide a trapeze for the patient to aid movement in bed.**



A nurse is planning teaching for a patient who has a new diagnosis of HIV. Which of the following information should the nurse include about preventing the spread of infection?

- Use condoms with petroleum-based lubricant.
- Buy disposable dishes for daily use.
- **Clean blood-contaminated surfaces with bleach.**
- Wash soiled clothes in cold water.

A charge nurse is teaching a newly licensed nurse about medication administration. Which of the following information should the charge nurse include?

- Avoid preparing medications for more than two patients at one time.
- **Inform patients about the action of the medication of the medication prior to administration.**
- Read medication labels at least two times prior to administration.

- Complete an incident report if a patient vomits after taking a medication.
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- A nurse in a pediatric clinic is assessing a 6-month old infant. Which of the following findings should the nurse identify as a possible indication of neglect?
    - Inability to sit without support.
    - A capillary hemangioma on the buttocks.
    - Current weight twice the infants birth weight.
    - **D. Lack of social smile.**
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- A nurse is suctioning the airway of a patient who is receiving mechanical ventilation via an endotracheal tube. Which of the following findings should the nurse identify as an indication that suctioning has been effective?
    - **Presence of a productive cough**

- **Decreased peak inspiratory pressure**
- **Thinning of mucous secretions**
- **Flattening of the artificial airway cuff**

**A nurse is caring for a patient who is in a seclusion room following violent behavior. The patient**

continues to display aggressive behavior. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?

- Stand within 30cm (1 ft) of the patient when speaking with them.
- Express sympathy for the patient's situation.
- Confront the patient about his behavior.

- **D. Speak assertively to the patient.**

A nurse is caring for a patient who is immediately postoperative following an adrenalectomy to treat Cushing's disease. Which of the following actions is the nurse's priority?

- Reposition the patient for comfort every 2 hours
- Observe for any indications of infection
- Document amount and color of the incisional drainage.

- **D. Monitor the patient's fluid and electrolyte status.**

A nurse is caring for a patient who is scheduled for a surgical procedure and states, "I don't want to have this surgery anymore." Which of the following responses should the nurse make?

A. "We can manage your care following the procedure without complications."

**B. "You have the right to refuse the procedure."**

- "Your doctor thinks the surgery is necessary."
- "Let me review the procedure so you can understand what is going to happen."

A nurse is evaluating a patient who has borderline personality disorder. Which of the following behaviors indicates an improvement in the patient's condition?

- Impulsive behaviors
- **Decreased clinging behavior**
- Liability of mood

- **Dependent behavior**

**A nurse is teaching a group of school-age children about healthy snack options. Which of the following snacks should the nurse include?**

- **Air-popped popcorn**
- **Milkshake made with whole milk.**
- **Baked potato chips**
- **Cheesecake**

**A nurse is providing teaching to a patient who has a new prescription for enoxaparin. Which of the following medications for pain relief should the nurse include in the teaching that can be taken concurrently with enoxaparin?**

- **Naproxen sodium**
- **Ibuprofen**
- **Acetaminophen**

- Aspirin

A nurse is caring for a patient who has fibromyalgia and requests pain medication. Which of the following medications should the nurse plan to administer?

- Colchicine
- Lorazepam
- **C. Pregabalin**
- D. Codeine

A nurse is caring for a patient who has congestive heart failure and is receiving furosemide and digoxin. Which of the following laboratory values indicates that the patient is at risk for developing digoxin toxicity?

- Glucose 150 mg/dL
- Magnesium 1.3 mEq/L
- **C. Potassium 3.1 mEq/L**
- D. Sodium 134 mEq/L

A nurse is caring for a patient who had an embolic stroke and has a prescription for alteplase. Which of the following in the patient's history should the nurse identify as a contraindication for receiving alteplase?

- **Hip arthroplasty 1 week ago** correct
- Obstructive lung disease
- Retinal detachment
- Acute kidney failure 6 months ago

A nurse is providing discharge teaching for a patient who has a new implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD). Which of the following patient statements demonstrates understanding of the teaching?

- "I will soak in the tub rather than showering."
- "I can hold my cellphone on the same side of my body as the ICD."
- **C. "I will wear loose clothing over my ICD."**

D. "I will avoid using my microwave oven at home because of my ICD."



- A nurse is assessing a patient who is postoperative following abdominal surgery and has an indwelling urinary catheter that is draining dark yellow urine at 25ml/hr. Which of the following interventions should the nurse anticipate?
- Clamp the catheter tubing for 30 min
  - Initiate continuous bladder irrigation
  - Obtain a urine specimen for culture and sensitivity
  - Administer a fluid bolus
- A nurse is caring for a patient who has experienced a stillbirth. Which of the following actions should the nurse take during the initial grieving process?
- Avoid talking to the patient about the newborn
  - Discourage the patient from allowing friends to see the newborn
  - Offer to take pictures of the newborn for the patient
  - D. Assure the patient that she can have additional children

- A nurse is caring for a patient who has a major burn injury. Which of the following actions is the nurse's priority to prevent wound infection?
- Use sterile dressings for wound care
  - Apply topical antibiotics to the patient's wounds.
  - Place the patient in protective isolation.
  - **Maintain consistent hand washing by staff.**
- A nurse is speaking with the caregiver of a patient who has Alzheimer's disease. The caregiver states, "Providing constant care is very stressful and is affecting all areas of my life." Which of the following actions should the nurse take?
- Discuss methods of how to communicate with the patient about problem solving behaviors.
  - Suggest that the caregiver seek a prescription for an antipsychotic medication for the patient.
  - **C. Assist the caregiver to arrange a daycare program for the patient.**

**D. Recommend allowing the patient to have time alone in their room throughout the day.**

**A nurse is caring for a patient who is 1 hr postpartum and unable to urinate. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?**

- **Administer a benzodiazepine**

- **Perform a fundal massage**

- **Place an ice pack on the patient's perineum**

- **D. Place the patient's hand in warm water**

**A nurse on a medical-surgical unit is performing medication reconciliation for a newly admitted patient. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?**

- Compare a list of common medications to treat a condition to the actual prescriptions
- Compare the prescription to the allergy history of the patient
  
- Compare the medication label to the provider's prescription on three occasions before administration
- Compare the patient's list of home medications to the admission prescriptions written for the patient.

A nurse is caring for a patient who is postoperative following total hip arthroplasty. Which of the following actions should the nurse take to prevent dislocation of the prosthesis?

- Raise the head of the patient's bed to a high-fowler's position.
- Elevate the patient's affected leg on a pillow when in bed.
- Position the patient's knees slightly higher than the hips when up in a chair. D. Keep an abduction pillow between the patient's legs.

- A nurse in a pediatric clinic is teaching a newly hired nurse about the varicella zoster virus. Which of the following information should the nurse include?
- Children who have varicella should be placed on droplet precautions.
  - Children who have varicella are contagious 4 days before the first vesicle eruption.
  - **C. Children who have varicella are contagious until the vesicles are crusted.**
  - D. Children who have varicella should receive the herpes zoster vaccine.
- A nurse is caring for a patient who is experiencing a panic attack. Which of the following actions should the nurse take?
- Teach the patient how to meditate
  - **Sit with the patient to provide a sense of security.**
  - Encourage the patient to watch television.
  - Administer a dose of atomoxetine to decrease anxiety.

- A nurse is teaching a newly licensed nurse about ergonomic principles. Which of the following actions by the newly licensed nurse indicates an understanding of the teaching?
- Stands with feet together when lifting a patient up in bed.
  - Places a gait belt around the patient's upper chest before assisting a patient to stand. C. Uses a mechanical lift device to move a patient from the bed to the chair.
  - D. Raises the patient's head of the bed before pulling the patient up.

- A nurse is teaching a patient about condom use. Which of the following patient statements should the nurse identify as an understanding of the teaching?
- "I can use petroleum jelly as a lubricant with the condom."
  - "I can re-use the condom one time after initial use."
  - "I can use natural-skin condoms to prevent sexually transmitted infections." D. "I can store