

## MODULE 2: ACUTE STROKE MANAGEMENT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Describe two benefits of having an organized stroke unit within a hospital. (2 points)

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2. The incidence of hemorrhagic transformation is more common:
- In small strokes, immediately following the infarct
  - In large strokes, 1–2 days after the original infarct
  - In large strokes, during the second week
  - When a seizure has taken place at the time of the stroke
3. As cerebral edema persists and intracranial pressure (ICP) progresses,
- Level of consciousness (LOC) will decrease
  - Pupil dysfunction is observed
  - Restlessness and/or irritability
  - Complaints of a worsening headache may be noted
  - All of the above may happen

## Quiz

- You may use your binder as a reference to answer these questions
- Submit your completed quiz to the Nurse Clinician or designate for marking
- Your test will be returned to you to keep in your binder

4. DVT signs include all but one of the following:

- a. Discolouration
- b. Swelling
- c. Spasticity
- d. Pain/tenderness

5. List 5 ways you can alter the way you interact with your aphasic stroke patient to better facilitate a two-way conversation (5 points).

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6. A visual field deficit(s) that you may discover while assessing your stroke patient is:

- a. Homonymous Hemianopsia
- b. Diplopia
- c. Nystagmus
- d. All of the above
- e. Two of the above

7. Mr. McDonald is complaining of a dry mouth and fatigue. His daughter told you he was confused last night when they talked on the phone. His urine is dark with a small amount of blood present. When you take his BP you notice a drop from his usual. Mr. McDonald is most likely:

- a. Depressed
- b. Dysarthric
- c. Perceptually impaired
- d. Dehydrated

## TRUE/FALSE Questions

(CIRCLE the correct letter)

- T** **F** 1. Progression of hemorrhagic transformation may vary from patients being asymptomatic in some to causing death in others.
- T** **F** 2. Incontinence is a predictor of future functional outcome.
- T** **F** 3. Diplopia is double vision.
- T** **F** 4. Rehabilitation occurs about 2 months after the diagnosis of stroke, once they have stabilized medically.
- T** **F** 5. Emotional Lability and Post-Stroke Depression are synonymous
- T** **F** 6. Speaking a lot louder can help the aphasic patient understand a question.
- T** **F** 7. Acute stroke patients should be assessed by rehab professionals, starting around two weeks after their inpatient admission.
- T** **F** 8. It makes no difference to patient care or patient outcomes if stroke patients are located on different units throughout the hospital.

**SCORE:** \_\_\_\_\_ / **20**

Stroke Unit/Medical Unit Nurse Clinician/Designate

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