

MODULE 4: DIAGNOSTICS AND ASSESSMENTS

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Explain why a Neuro exam is very important to do on every stroke patient. (2 points)

2. List 4 symptoms that could indicate a change in neurological status. (4 points)

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

3. The GCS assesses:
 - a. Level of consciousness
 - b. Motor recovery
 - c. Balance
 - d. Risk of developing pressure sores

4. The CNS assesses:
 - a. Orientation, speech, motor function, and level of consciousness
 - b. Orientation, perception
 - c. Cerebellar functioning
 - d. Gait

5. Name 2 other assessments you may use on your stroke inpatient or may hear other team members mention during a *Rounds* discussion. (2 points)

6. Your stroke inpatient's wife, Mary, has asked you to explain what an "echocardiogram" is and why he needs "one of those". Their daughter, Shari, has asked "...and what is the "holter monitor" that the doctor said he needs?"

Explain either the echocardiogram or the holter monitor and why it's used. (3 points)

TRUE/FALSE Questions

(CIRCLE the correct letter)

- T** **F** 1. The NIHSS objectively quantifies the clinical exam, giving it a score that can be compared each time one is completed.
- T** **F** 2. HbA1c is a test that measures levels of cardiac enzymes like troponin.

SCORE: _____ / **15**

Stroke Unit/Medical Unit Nurse Clinician/Designate

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