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(55 Q&A)

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1. A male client who has been taking a high dose of a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) comes to the clinic complaining of gastric pain and blood in his stool. The healthcare provider discontinues the NSAIDs and prescribes esomeprazole. Which information should the client include in the nurse's teaching plan?

Once pain subsides, NSAID therapy can be continued

Resume a diet that consists of milk, cream, and bland foods

Notify the healthcare provider of the passage of black stool

Call the clinic if diarrhea or headache occur when taking esomeprazole

Answer: C. Notify the healthcare provider of the passage of black stool

2. When administering zolpidem to an older client, which computer documentation indicates that the desired outcome has been achieved?

Sleeps soundly through the night

Decreased episodes of incontinence

Exhibits fewer emotional outbursts

Improved ability to concentrate

Answer: A. Sleeps soundly through the night

3. A male client with a fungal infection of the toenail reports to the nurse that he has been applying an over-the-counter triple antibiotic ointment to the infection daily for two weeks without any improvement. Which action should the nurse take?

Instruct the client to obtain a prescription for oral terbinafine

Suggest that the client use the ointment twice a day to be more effective

Reassure that the treatment of fungus-infected toenails often takes several months

Advise the client to obtain a prescription-strength formulation of the ointment

Answer: A. Instruct the client to obtain a prescription for oral terbinafine

4. A client with a nasogastric tube (NGT) has a prescription for sucralfate. The liquid form of the medication is not currently available in the pharmacy and tablets have been delivered to the medication dispensing system. Which action should the nurse include when administering the medication?

Crush the tablet and mix it with water separately from other medications

Crush the tablet and mix it with other crushed tablets diluted in water

Withhold the medication until a liquid form is available on the nursing unit

Crush the tablet and mix it with other liquid medications for administration

Answer: A. Crush the tablet and mix it with water separately from other medications

5. A client with chronic asthma receives a prescription for montelukast, a leukotriene modifier. Which statement by the client indicates to the nurse that medication teaching was effective?

A. I should take this medication only when I am having an asthma attack

I will take the tablet every evening to control my asthma

This medication will stop an asthma attack immediately

I will not need to use my inhalers twice a day when I start this medication

Answer: B. I will take the tablet every evening to control my asthma

6. The nurse is planning to administer the antiulcer GI agent sucralfate to a client with peptic ulcer disease. Which action should the nurse include in this client's plan of care?

Assess for secondary Candida infection

Administer sucralfate once a day, preferably at bedtime

Give sucralfate on an empty stomach

Monitor for electrolyte imbalance

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