Pharmacology - DC

Presentation guide

DC = Statement of the competence for a particular domain

E = Elements of the competence for a specific statement of competence

P = Performance criteria for competency; associated with a specific element of the competence

Domain of Competence DC.9

Administer pharmaceutical substances for specific applications on patients in a clinical setting

E9.1 Assess need for medication

- P9.1.1 Compare different forms of medications utilized in respiratory care
- P9.1.2 Distinguish medications necessary for varying clinical cases

E9.2 Select administrative method (e.g., inhalation, intravenous, instillation, intramuscular)

- P9.2.1 Recognize the clinical situation with regards to the administration of a particular drug
- P9.2.2 Compare the administrative methods commonly utilized in respiratory care and anesthesia
- P9.2.3 Associate the administrative method per clinical situation

E9.3 Calculate drug dosages within metric system

- P9.3.1 Demonstrate calculations using the metric system
- P9.3.2 Calculate dosage for different forms of medication including diluents
- P9.3.3 Demonstrate drug preparations
- P9.3.4 Label syringes and vials according to local standards in a clinical setting
- P9.3.5 Prepare drug dosage

E9.4 Verify medical prescription

- P9.4.1 Identify the essential elements and distinct forms of a prescription
- P9.4.2 Assess prescription for respiratory care and confirm its appropriateness in a clinical setting

E9.5 Assess and recognize efficacy and side effects of medication

- P9.5.1 Assess the efficacy of a medication relative to desired effects per prescription and clinical situation
- P9.5.2 Assess presence of side effects
- P9.5.3 Recommend course of action

E9.6 Titrate dose of medication

- P9.6.1 Describe the consequences of administrating a particular medication
- P9.6.2 Ascertain indications and contra-indications of a medication dose per clinical situation
- P9.6.3 Apply protocol specific for the administration and adjustment of a medication in a clinical setting

E9.7 Provide oxygen therapy using appropriate method

- P9.7.1 Describe the methods of storage, distribution, transportation and safety standards for oxygen
- P9.7.2 Determine the indications for oxygen therapy
- P9.7.3 Explain the physiological complications and side effects of oxygen therapy
- P9.7.4 Explain the acute and chronic indications for hyperbaric therapy
- P9.7.5 Describe the contraindications to hyperbaric therapy
- P9.7.6 Describe the hazards and complications of hyperbaric therapy
- P9.7.7 Describe the basic principles of operation of a hyperbaric chamber
- P9.7.8 Assess the need for oxygen therapy in a clinical setting
- P9.7.9 Select correct administration system and patient interface for oxygen therapy
- P9.7.10Administer oxygen therapy in a clinical setting
- P9.7.11Monitor, assess and document effectiveness of oxygen therapy in a clinical setting
- P9.7.12Modify therapy as required and wean when indicated in a clinical setting

E9.8 Administer substances (e.g., drugs, fluids) by inhalation

- P9.8.1 Assess prescription for appropriateness
- P9.8.2 Demonstrate precise calculation and safe preparation for substances administered by inhalation
- P9.8.3 Differentiate between types of aerosol generators based on principle of operation
- P9.8.4 Compare different formats and procedures for the administration of substances by inhalation
- P9.8.5 Explain the factors known to influence the administration of a substance by inhalation with respect to penetration, deposition and clearance
- P9.8.6 Describe potential complications associated with the administration of substances by inhalation
- P9.8.7 Administer substances by inhalation per prescription in a clinical setting
- P9.8.8 Monitor and document treatment and patient response

E9.9 Administer substances (e.g., drugs, fluids) by injections

- P9.9.1 Assess prescription for appropriateness
- P9.9.2 Demonstrate precise calculation and safe preparation for substances to be administered by injection
- P9.9.3 Compare different formats and procedures of injection for the administration of substances
- P9.9.4 Describe potential complications associated with the administration of substances by injection
- P9.9.5 Administer substances by injection per prescription in a clinical setting
- P9.9.6 Monitor and document procedure and patient response

E9.10 Administer substances (e.g., drugs, fluids) by instillation

- P9.10.1Assess prescription for appropriateness
- P9.10.2Demonstrate calculation and safe preparation for substances administered by instillation
- P9.10.3Compare different formats and procedures for the administration of substances by instillation
- P9.10.4Describe potential complications associated with the administration of substances by instillation including monitoring of patient response
- P9.10.5 Administer substances by instillation per prescription in a clinical setting
- P9.10.6Monitor and document procedure and patient response

E9.11 Administer substances (e.g., drugs, fluids) by infusion

- P9.11.1Assess prescription for appropriateness
- P9.11.2Demonstrate calculation and safe preparation for substances administered by infusion
- P9.11.3Compare different formats and procedures for the administration of substances by infusion
- P9.11.4Describe potential complications associated with the administration of substances by infusion
- P9.11.5Administer substances by infusion per prescription in a clinical setting
- P9.11.6Monitor and document procedure and patient response