



SAJS CPD QUESTIONS

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Defining the contribution of human error to adverse events in a surgical service

1. Regarding the role of human error in adverse events in surgical patients, which statement best describes how this problem should be addressed?

- Identify the most common adverse event type and focus only on that
- Only select the best doctors to train as surgeons because good surgeons cannot make errors
- Identify all adverse events and introduce and maintain multiple measures to address them
- Accurate data collection and reporting of adverse events is not important

Outcomes of surgical patients in a tertiary ICU with incidental COVID-19 in comparison with COVID-19 naïve patients

2. Regarding outcomes of surgical patients with and without incidental COVID-19 infection in a tertiary ICU, which is the most correct statement?

- Higher in the COVID naïve group
- Higher in the incidental COVID group
- The same in both groups but not statistically significant
- The same in both groups and statistically significant

Time to regional surgical care in rural South Africa

3. With respect to surgical care in rural South Africa, which was the most salient finding reported in a local study?

- Length of stay and complication rate
- Time-to-care and the proportion lost to follow-up
- Time-to-care and reasons for the proportion lost to follow-up
- Morbidity, mortality, and mobility

Experience of a tertiary/quaternary unit with surgery for endocrine hypertension

4. Regarding the most common cause of endocrine hypertension worldwide, what is the most correct statement?

- Cushing syndrome
- Primary hyperaldosteronism
- Catecholamines-producing tumour
- Cushing disease

The adapted Caprini score as a proxy for postoperative venous thromboembolism prophylaxis: a tertiary hospital experience

5. In respect of the adapted Caprini score, which of the following is not included?

- The type of surgery the patient underwent
- Haematological laboratory parameters (such as Leiden factor V)
- Postoperative mobility of the patient
- History of clotting disorders

Epidemiology and anatomical distribution of colorectal cancer in South Africa

6. With respect to colorectal cancer pathways preferentially involving the right colon, which is the most likely cause?

- Diet low in fibre
- Mismatch repair gene mutations
- Smoking
- Urbanisation

Traumatic limb amputations in polytrauma ICU admissions

7. With respect to polytrauma patients who have competing priorities, which of the following combination of anatomical regions is most affected in addition to the threatened limb?

- Abdomen, neck and pelvic region
- Chest, neck and pelvic region
- Abdomen, chest and head
- Head, neck and pelvic region

The epidemiological characteristics of major trauma in Pietersburg and Mankweng hospitals, Limpopo province

8. In the rural and under-researched province of Limpopo the most likely reason to transfer a young man to the central hospital after trauma would be due to:

- Abdominal injury from stab wounds
- Chest injury from motor vehicle collision
- Traumatic brain injury from assault
- Traumatic brain injury from motor vehicle collision

An ascaris twist

9. Regarding a worm bolus due to intestinal lumbricoides, what is the most common site of volvulus?

- Mid-jejunum
- Mid-ileum
- Proximal ileum
- Ileo-colic segment

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