1. A patient is scheduled for arthroscopy of the left knee states that the surgery is for the repair of the torn cartilage in the right knee. The surgical consent form indicates the left knee. The nurse’s best action is to:
   A. Delay surgery until patient information and consent are validated.
   B. Proceed as scheduled, since the patient has signed the consent form.
   C. Document the conflict on the O.R. nursing-care record.
   D. Change the consent form and have the patient initial the change.

2. A patient who is scheduled for surgery exhibits signs of severe anticipatory anxiety reaction. Interventions for this patient should focus on:
   A. Confronting the patient’s inappropriate behavior.
   B. Providing a quiet unhurried environment with soothing words.
   C. Setting limits for his behavior in a firm responsive manner.
   D. Assuring the patient they have nothing to worry about.

3. How often should an operating room be terminally cleaned regardless of whether it was used??
   A. Once during each 24 hour period.
   B. There is no need to terminally clean an unused operating room.
   C. At the end of each 8 hour shift.
   D. First thing in the morning and again at the end of the day.

4. The last sense lost by the patient during anesthesia induction is:
   A. Smelling.
   B. Feeling.
   C. Seeing.
   D. Hearing.

5. The person responsible for obtaining the informed consent is the:
   A. Perioperative nurse.
   B. Surgeon.
   C. Anesthesia provider.
   D. Resident.

6. A thyroid lobectomy is described as:
   A. Excision of both lobes.
   B. Excision of 5/6 of the thyroid gland.
   C. Excision of the entire lobe.
   D. Excision of the entire thyroid gland.

7. The pulse oximeter measures:
   A. Arterial oxyhemoglobin saturation.
   B. Blood pressure.
   C. Carbon dioxide changes.
   D. Central venous pressure.
8. Potential adverse effects of the supine position include all of the following except:
   A. Skin breakdown at the heels and elbows.
   B. Venous pooling in the legs.
   C. Decreased mean arterial pressure.
   D. Retinal detachment or cerebral edema.

9. Intra operative factors to consider when positioning the patient include position required, anesthesia and:
   A. Length of surgery.
   B. Age.
   C. Length of recovery.
   D. Height.

10. One factor that may contribute to an increased risk of wrong site surgery includes:
   A. Verifying the site with each member of the surgical team
   B. Involving the patient and family
   C. Direct observation of the marked surgical site
   D. Relying solely on the surgeon for determination of the correct site.

11. If malignant hyperthermia is suspected, the first course of action the perioperative nurse can expect is:
   A. Establishing an arterial line to monitor electrolytes, pH and blood gases.
   B. Insertion of a Foley catheter to monitor urinary output.
   C. Begin cooling the patient by lavaging the stomach with iced normal saline.
   D. Discontinue the inhalant anesthesia and stop the surgical procedure.

12. Sterilization parameters in an autoclave for metal instruments and no lumens are 270 - 272 degrees for:
   A. 3
   B. 5
   C. 10
   D. 15

13. The nerve that be damaged on a patient from lengthy, severe abduction of the arm is the:
   A. Thoracodorsal.
   B. Obturator.
   C. Perineal venous plexus.
   D. Brachial nerve plexus.

14. The cautery pad should be placed on clean dry skin and on:
   A. Well-perfused muscle mass.
   B. Scar tissue.
   C. Fatty tissue.
   D. Areas proximal to the tourniquet.
15. Eye protection in the operating room:
   A. Is not needed if you already wear glasses
   B. Should be worn by those scrubbed in only.
   C. Is part of our personal protective equipment (PPE) and is to be worn by all team members in the operating room.
   D. Is needed only if you anticipate potentially infectious material.

16. A patient scheduled for a hemorrhoidectomy has been anesthetized on the transport vehicle. Which Member of the surgical team must give permission before positioning begins?
   A. Circulating nurse.
   B. Surgeon.
   C. Scrub nurse.
   D. Anesthesia provider.

17. At the start of closure of the surgery, the circulating nurse and scrub nurse complete the 1st count and discover that a sponge is missing. The nurse’s first action would be to:
   A. Repeat the count.
   B. Contact radiology.
   C. Document the incident.
   D. Notify supervisor.

18. The trade name for Midazolam is:
   A. Valium.
   B. Sublimaze.
   C. Duramorph.
   D. Versed.

19. All of the following are criteria for extubation except:
   A. Patient’s ability to lift head.
   B. Adequate tidal volume.
   C. Return of cough and gag reflex.
   D. Laryngospasm.

20. A “surgical time-out” is done by verifying that, 1) this is the correct patient, 2) having the correct surgery, 3) on the correct side (if applicable), 4) and all correct equipment is available. This mandated “time-out” needs to be done:
   A. Sometime before the patient leaves the operating room.
   B. Between the circulating nurse and the surgeon.
   C. With all members of the surgical team before an incision is made.
   D. On only surgeries involving implants.

21. When doing the preoperative skin preparation on an abdominal case, the circulating nurse should start at the:
   A. Nipples and proceed toward the pubis
   B. Site of incision to the periphery
   C. Incision site and proceed upwards to nipples
   D. Umbilicus and proceed in circles around it
22. An example of an absorbable suture is:
   A. surgical nylon
   B. cotton
   C. prolene
   D. chromic surgical gut

23. A scrub nurse tells the surgical assistant that his arm touched the unsterile IV pole while he was reaching for a retractor. The assistant says he doesn’t think he did touch the pole. What should be done?
   A. the assistant knows if he touched the pole or not. The scrub nurse should apologize.
   B. when in doubt, you’re not sterile. The assistant should ask for a sterile sleeve or change his gown and gloves.
   C. ask a third person in the room for their opinion
   D. the surgeon should decide which person is correct

24. Severe symptoms of hypothermia include which of the following:
   A. bleeding and bradycardia
   B. shivering, cyanosis and cool extremities
   C. anaerobic metabolism and lactic acid production
   D. increase in heart rate, oxygen consumption and blood pressure

25. After the O.R. nurse has opened all the disposable and no disposable supplies for a total hip arthroplasty procedure, the surgeons office reports that the surgeon will be 2 hours late. In this situation, what would be the most appropriate nursing action?
   A. cover the table and leave it in the room unattended
   B. cover the table and have the scrub nurse stay in the room
   C. leave the table uncovered and have the scrub nurse monitor the table
   D. leave the table uncovered and have the scrub nurse leave the room

26. A regional injection of a local anesthesia to an extremity below the level of a double cuffed tourniquet is known as what type of block?
   A. nerve
   B. bier
   C. field
   D. intercostals

27. The most common surgical incision made for a hepatic resection is:
   A. right subcostal
   B. upper transverse
   C. midline abdominal
   D. vertical midline
28. Sponge, sharps and instrument counts must be done in accordance with:
   A. JCAHO standards
   B. institutional policy
   C. the surgeon’s preference
   D. AORN recommended practices

29. The number of personnel required to transfer a patient from the transport vehicle to the OR bed is:
   A. 4
   B. the minimum number to safely move the patient without injury
   C. 3
   D. based on the surgeon’s preference

30. During the assessment of a surgical patient, the patient states they are allergic to bananas. The perioperative nurse recognizes that the patient should be evaluated for a reaction to:
   A. x-ray dye
   B. latex
   C. povidone iodine
   D. xylocaine
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