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CRITICAL CARE NURSING THREE (NU 826)

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- * Please answer a total of three (3) questions.
- * Use a separate answer book for each question.
- * All questions carry an equal mark.
- * Support your answers with reference to the literature and your nursing experience as appropriate.

Time Allowed: Two (2) hours

Q1. Frank, a 50 year old married man, is admitted to ICU with a diagnosis of acute pancreatitis. Discuss the role of the nurse in meeting Frank's needs during the critical stage of his illness (100%)

Q2. Discuss the responsibilities of the ICU nurse in **two** of the following situations:

- (a) Withdrawing/withholding of treatment (50%)
- (b) Under-water seal drainage (50%)
- (c) Organ donation (50%)

Q3. Critically analyse the impact of a major disaster on the role of the nurse in ICU. (100%)

Q4. Jim, 65 years of age, is admitted to ICU with full-thickness burns of the front of his chest and upper arms, due to flames from an open fire.

Using the following headings, discuss the care Jim will require during his first 24 hours in ICU:

- (a) Fluid replacement (34%)
- (b) Wound management (33%)
- (c) Prevention of potential complications (33%)

Q5. Tom, a 65 year old married man is admitted to ICU with severe haematemesis. An emergency partial gastrectomy was performed for perforated gastric ulcer.

Using a systematic approach, discuss the care Tom will require during his first 48 hours post- operatively. (100%)

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