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Instructions:

Please answer a total of three (3) questions. Use a separate answer book for each question.

Some questions are divided into part (a) and part (b).

Please answer part (a) of each question in one booklet and part (b) in a separate booklet.

All questions carry an equal mark. Support your answers with reference to the literature and your clinical practice as appropriate.

Duration	<u>3hrs</u>
No. of Answer Books	<u> </u>

Requirements:

Handout	<u> </u>
MCQ	<u> </u>
Statistical Tables	<u> </u>
Graph Paper	<u> </u>
Log Graph Paper	<u> </u>
Other Material	<u> </u>

No. of Pages	<u>2</u>
Department(s)	<u>Centre for Nursing Studies</u>

- Q1** A two month old baby girl is taken to A&E by her mother with a pyrexia of 40.1C. On arrival to triage the baby starts to seize in her mothers arms.
- Discuss the immediate priorities and overall management of this case. (100%)
- Q2** A 25 year old male with a history of narcotic drug abuse and depression has been brought into the A&E department. He is unconscious, his pupils are constricted and he has respiratory depression. Friends report that he has tried to kill himself before and had recently been saying that he "wanted it to end" and "wished he was dead".
- Critically discuss the nursing management of a patient that presents with a history of parasuicide and the clinical manifestations of a narcotic overdose. (100%)
- Q3 (a)** Discuss the role of the pancreas in blood glucose control. (30%)
- (b)** A 54 year old gentleman with a history of alcohol abuse presents to A&E with sudden severe epigastric pain radiating to the right hypochondrium and penetrating through to the back. He is complaining of nausea and vomiting. His abdomen is distended and tender.
- Discuss the nursing care and management of the patient in the A&E department. (70%)
- Q4.** A 33 year old female is in triage with a complaint of localized pain on the left side. She states that she woke up this morning with sharp, severe left sided abdominal pain. On further discussion you find that the lady has a 3 week history of mild nausea and that her last menstrual period was 7 weeks ago. During your assessment in triage the patient suddenly collapses, is hypotensive and has a rapid weak pulse.
- Discuss the immediate assessment and management of this patient in A&E. (100%)
- Q5** A 25 year old male presents to A&E following an alleged assault and has sustained a direct blow to the face. He has nasal swelling, epistaxis, facial lacerations and is complaining of pain in the right mandibular region. He is having great difficulty in speaking.
- Discuss the immediate management of this patient in A&E. (100%)