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NURSING STUDIES
NURSING STUDIES VII (NU302)
(GENERAL)
(TOTAL MARKS 1000)

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Attempt FOUR questions

Please use separate Answer Books for each question

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1. Treatment of multiple sclerosis is aimed at relieving symptoms and helping the patient function (Nettina 1996).

Discuss nursing interventions aimed at relieving symptoms and helping the patient with multiple sclerosis to function. Include relevant literature and clinical experience.
2. Mrs. Cassidy, a 66 year old, is admitted to your ward for a total knee arthroplasty.

Detail the nursing care of this lady for the first 48 hours following surgery. Support your answer with reference to relevant literature and clinical practice.
3. Discuss the nursing management of a 60 year old patient for the first 48 hours following the information of a tracheostomy. Support your answer with reference to your clinical experience and relevant literature.

4. Eamonn Smith, aged 30 years, has recurring urinary calculi. He is to undergo percutaneous nephrolithotomy for removal of a large stone from his renal pelvis. Discuss the specific care required by Mr Smith following his surgery, including advice aimed at avoiding recurrence of renal calculi.
Support your answer with reference to the literature and your clinical practice.
5. Mrs. Roe, a 50 year old, is admitted to hospital for a simple mastectomy. Discuss, with reference to the literature, the pre-operative nursing care that Mrs. Roe will require.
6. Rita Malone, a 17 year old, is newly diagnosed with diabetes mellitus. Devise an appropriate education plan for Rita. Your answer must be supported with reference to relevant literature and clinical practice.
7. Discuss, with reference to the nursing literature, the therapeutic options that are available to a woman experiencing acute menopausal symptoms.
8. A 38 year old man with a diagnosis of lymphoma has developed anaemia and thrombocytopenia following his last dose of chemotherapy. He is to receive three units of packed cells and six units of platelets. Detail the nursing management before, during, and after the administration of these blood products.
Support your answer with reference to relevant literature and clinical experience.

REFERENCE:

Nettina, S. (1996) *The Lippincott Manual of Nursing Practice*, 6th Edition, Lippincott, Philadelphia, pp. 338