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### Chapter 002 Workforce Safety and Wellness

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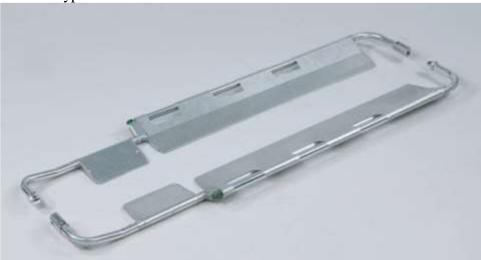


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- 26. Your coworker has been working 6 days a week for the past several weeks, eating a lot of junk food, and her daughter is having trouble in school. Your coworker is at risk for developing which of the following?
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- B. Cumulative stress
- C. Irritability toward her family
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- 27. When removing gloves after treating a patient, you should
- A. tug the cuff of the glove with your opposite thumb and index finger to turn it inside out.
- B. use the thumb and index finger of one hand to grasp the finger tips of the other to pull it off.
- C. pull off both gloves by grasping the fingertips of the opposite hand and immediately throw them out
- D. use the fingertips to remove gloves and make sure to turn them inside out.
- 28. You arrive on a scene where a female worker has cut herself. You should
- A. ask observers to step back so you can figure out what happened.
- B. apply pressure on the wound to slow the bleeding.
- C. begin an assessment and determine care needed.
- D. put on personal protective equipment, such as gloves.
- 29. You are on the scene of a multiple motor vehicle accident and notice that the first car, which has been rear-ended, is leaking fluid from the left side near the gas tank. The driver is still in the car. In this situation, you should use a(n)
- A. emergency move.
- B. nonurgent move.
- C. critical move.
- D. urgent move.

- 30. Disinfecting equipment at a high-level involves
- A. using boiling water on the equipment.
- B. exposing the equipment to radiation or superheated steam.
- C. using denatured alcohol to clean the object.
- D. washing the object with soap and warm water.
- 31. When preparing to lift a patient on a cot or stretcher, you should
- A. determine the weight of the patient being lifted including any equipment involved.
- B. relax the muscles of your abdomen and buttocks before lifting to relieve back stress.
- C. place your feet close together in order to get better back support and strength.
- D. bend at the waist and keep your back straight when picking up your end of the cot.
- 32. A sign of obvious death that refers to the decomposition of organic matter, such as body tissues, is known as
- A. putrefaction.
- B. dependent lividity.
- C. rigor mortis.
- D. tissue corruption.
- 33. An underhanded grip that takes full advantage of the strength of your hands, forearms and biceps is known as the
- A. super grip.
- B. manual grip.
- C. power grip.
- D. strength grip.
- 34. The single most important method you can use to prevent the spread of communicable diseases is
- A. wearing gloves.
- B. cleaning equipment.
- C. use of personal protective equipment.
- D. frequent handwashing.

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- A. "I'm sorry to tell you that your wife is no longer with us."
- B. "This is hard to say, but your wife has passed on."
- C. "Your wife has gone to a better place without pain."
- D. "You have our sincere sympathy as your wife has died."
- 36. An advanced directive is written by
- A. an appointed family member.
- B. the spouse.
- C. the primary care doctor.
- D. the patient.
- 37. Your team has restrained a physically violent patient who is a danger to himself and others. Which of the following should you do during this process?
- A. Let him know ahead of time that you'll remove the restraints as soon as he cooperates.
- B. Leave him alone for a few minutes after he is restrained to let him calm down.
- C. Check his ABCs and distal pulses frequently once he is restrained.
- D. Restrain the patient to the stretcher with chest, waist and ankle straps.
- 38. You are at the scene of a house fire and must use a firefighter's drag to get your male patient out of the building. You should
- A. place the patient on his back and secure his wrists.
- B. slide your arms under his armpits and drag him out.
- C. put him on a blanket to prepare to move him.
- D. position yourself toe to toe and bend down to him.
- 39. Last week you responded to a multiple car accident where there were serious injuries and a child died. Since then you have had nightmares about the situation, argued with your family, and made a mistake on an important report at work. You are likely suffering from
- A. cumulative stress.
- B. psychosocial stress.
- C. crucial stress.
- D. traumatic incident stress.

- 40. A patient is displaying a 102-degree temperature, a bad headache and very swollen glands.
- You suspect
- A. chickenpox.
- B. measles.
- C. mumps.
- D. rubella.
- 41. You arrive at the home of an elderly woman who is lying in bed with chest pains. Which of the following methods should you use to move her from the bed to a stretcher?
- A. Direct ground lift
- B. Extremity lift
- C. Draw sheet transfer
- D. Human crutch move
- 42. An effective, healthy way to manage job stress is to
- A. listen to music or read a book during downtime.
- B. practice problem-solving skills by helping friends with their issues.
- C. develop hobbies that keep you busy during time away from work.
- D. eat comfort/junk foods that make you happy.
- 43. If you were not wearing gloves while working with a patient and had contact with blood or bodily fluids, you should wash your hands for at least
- A. 30 seconds
- B. 1 minute
- C. 2 minutes
- D. 5 minutes
- 44. Your neighbor fell out of a tree. He says that his back has a burning sensation and that he heard something "pop" when he hit the ground. You should
- A. move him into a Fowler's position so that he is a bit more comfortable.
- B. avoid moving him until a full assessment is complete.
- C. put him in a semi-Fowler's position to keep his legs and spine straight.
- D. place him in the recovery position to minimize his back pain.

- 45. Another name for the pelvic curvature of the adult spine is
- A. thoracic.
- B. lumbar.
- C. sacral.
- D. cervical.
- 46. Which of the following is an example of a psychosocial stressor that you may encounter on the job?
- A. Life-and-death decision making
- B. Demanding physical work
- C. Confined work spaces
- D. Incompatibility with a partner
- 47. A caller told the dispatcher that his daughter had tried to commit suicide and that her wrist was bleeding profusely. He also said that she refused to give him the razor she used or allow him to bandage her arm. When you arrive on the scene, you should
- A. wait for law enforcement to secure the scene before you enter.
- B. put on personal protective equipment before entering the scene.
- C. enter the residence and assess immediate life threats.
- D. establish a prearranged panic code with dispatch and your partner.
- 48. You are on a call at a high-rise apartment building. The patient needs to be transported to the hospital. Which of the following should you do when you and your partner are carrying her down the stairs?
- A. Flex at the waist and bend at the knees while carrying her.
- B. Carry her head-first so that you can check in with her as you go downstairs.
- C. Keep the weight and your arms close to your body.
- D. Keep your knees in a locked position to get strong back support.

- 49. During a lunchtime discussion when you and a coworker are alone, she tells you that she has just been diagnosed with terminal cancer and has only a few months to live. You should
- A. listen quietly to her concerns and let her talk about her thoughts and feelings.
- B. try to be a good friend and distract her from her grief by telling jokes and stories.
- C. remind her that doctors find new treatments for diseases every day and you know she'll beat it.
- D. ask her if she has told her family and friends yet and what their reaction was.
- 50. You and your partner must perform a direct ground lift. You should place yourselves at the
- A. neck and ankles.
- B. neck and thighs.
- C. chest and thighs.
- D. chest and ankles.
- 51. The five stages of grief, as described by Elizabeth Kubler-Ross, include Denial, Anger, Bargaining, Acceptance, and
- A. Frustration.
- B. Anxiety.
- C. Depression.
- D. Rage.
- 52. The "Fight-or-Flight" response system prepares the body to
- A. protect itself.
- B. adjust to stress.
- C. become aware of stressors.
- D. release chemicals in the body.
- 53. A one-person arm carry is also known as a
- A. pack-strap carry.
- B. piggyback carry.
- C. cradle carry.
- D. firefighter's carry.

- 54. To avoid injury when pushing or pulling a patient, you should
- A. pull, rather than push, whenever possible.
- B. keep your back straight to prevent injuries.
- C. push at a level between your waist and your knees.
- D. keep elbows straight and arms close to your sides.
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- A. sleep deprivation.
- B. substance abuse.
- C. poor nutritional habits.
- D. lack of regular aerobic exercise.
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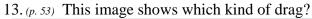
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Blooms: Application

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Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Therapeutic Communication: Adjusting communication strategies for age, stage of development, patients with special needs, and differing cultures.

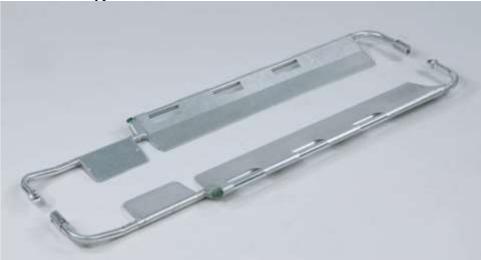
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Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Disease transmission

26. (p. 34) Your coworker has been working 6 days a week for the past several weeks, eating a lot of junk food, and her daughter is having trouble in school. Your coworker is at risk for developing which of the following?

- A. Panic attacks
- **B.** Cumulative stress
- C. Irritability toward her family
- D. Insomnia

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management

27. (p. 40) When removing gloves after treating a patient, you should

**<u>A.</u>** tug the cuff of the glove with your opposite thumb and index finger to turn it inside out. B. use the thumb and index finger of one hand to grasp the finger tips of the other to pull it off.

C. pull off both gloves by grasping the fingertips of the opposite hand and immediately throw them out.

D. use the fingertips to remove gloves and make sure to turn them inside out.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Medium

 $Educational\ Standards:\ NEMSES\ Clinical\ Behaviors\ and\ Judgments:\ Scene\ Safety:\ Ensure\ the\ safety\ of\ the\ rescuer\ and\ others\ during\ an$ 

emergency.

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Personal protective equipment

28. (p. 39) You arrive on a scene where a female worker has cut herself. You should

- A. ask observers to step back so you can figure out what happened.
- B. apply pressure on the wound to slow the bleeding.
- C. begin an assessment and determine care needed.
- **D.** put on personal protective equipment, such as gloves.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Personal protective equipment

29. (p. 48) You are on the scene of a multiple motor vehicle accident and notice that the first car, which has been rear-ended, is leaking fluid from the left side near the gas tank. The driver is still in the car. In this situation, you should use a(n)

**A.** emergency move.

- B. nonurgent move.
- C. critical move.
- D. urgent move.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Clinical Behaviors and Judgments: Decision Making: Initiates simple interventions based on assessment

findings

Educational Standards: NEMSES Clinical Behaviors and Judgments: Scene Safety: Ensure the safety of the rescuer and others during an

emergency.

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: EMS Operations: Vehicle Extrication: Safe vehicle extrication

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

30. (p. 44) Disinfecting equipment at a high-level involves

**<u>A.</u>** using boiling water on the equipment.

- B. exposing the equipment to radiation or superheated steam.
- C. using denatured alcohol to clean the object.
- D. washing the object with soap and warm water.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Hard

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Medicine: Infectious Diseases: How to decontaminate equipment after treating a patient

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Standard safety precautions

31. (p. 50) When preparing to lift a patient on a cot or stretcher, you should

**<u>A.</u>** determine the weight of the patient being lifted including any equipment involved.

- B. relax the muscles of your abdomen and buttocks before lifting to relieve back stress.
- C. place your feet close together in order to get better back support and strength.
- D. bend at the waist and keep your back straight when picking up your end of the cot.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

 $Educational\ Standards:\ NEMSES\ Competencies:\ Preparatory:\ Workforce\ Safety\ and\ Wellness:\ Lifting\ and\ moving\ patients$ 

32. (p. 75) A sign of obvious death that refers to the decomposition of organic matter, such as body tissues, is known as

A. putrefaction.

- B. dependent lividity.
- C. rigor mortis.
- D. tissue corruption.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Medical Terminology

- 33. (p. 49) An underhanded grip that takes full advantage of the strength of your hands, forearms and biceps is known as the
- A. super grip.
- B. manual grip.

<u>C.</u> power grip.

D. strength grip.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

- 34. (p. 38) The single most important method you can use to prevent the spread of communicable diseases is
- A. wearing gloves.
- B. cleaning equipment.
- C. use of personal protective equipment.
- **D.** frequent handwashing.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Standard safety precautions

- 35. (p. 75-76) You have to inform a man that his wife has just died. How should you inform him?
- A. "I'm sorry to tell you that your wife is no longer with us."
- B. "This is hard to say, but your wife has passed on."
- C. "Your wife has gone to a better place without pain."
- **D.** "You have our sincere sympathy as your wife has died."

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Therapeutic Communication

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management: Dealing with death and

dying

36. (p. 74) An advanced directive is written by

- A. an appointed family member.
- B. the spouse.
- C. the primary care doctor.
- **D.** the patient.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Medical/Legal and Ethics: Advanced directives

- 37. (p. 71) Your team has restrained a physically violent patient who is a danger to himself and others. Which of the following should you do during this process?
- A. Let him know ahead of time that you'll remove the restraints as soon as he cooperates.
- B. Leave him alone for a few minutes after he is restrained to let him calm down.
- **C.** Check his ABCs and distal pulses frequently once he is restrained.
- D. Restrain the patient to the stretcher with chest, waist and ankle straps.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Assessment: Reassessment: How and when to reassess patients

38. (p. 55) You are at the scene of a house fire and must use a firefighter's drag to get your male patient out of the building. You should

**A.** place the patient on his back and secure his wrists.

- B. slide your arms under his armpits and drag him out.
- C. put him on a blanket to prepare to move him.
- D. position yourself toe to toe and bend down to him.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

39. (p. 36) Last week you responded to a multiple car accident where there were serious injuries and a child died. Since then you have had nightmares about the situation, argued with your family, and made a mistake on an important report at work. You are likely suffering from

A. cumulative stress.

- B. psychosocial stress.
- C. crucial stress.
- **D.** traumatic incident stress.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management: Dealing with death and dying

40. (p. 42) A patient is displaying a 102-degree temperature, a bad headache and very swollen glands. You suspect

A. chickenpox.

B. measles.

C. mumps.

D. rubella.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Clinical Behaviors and Judgments: Assessment

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Medicine: Infectious Diseases: Awareness of a patient who may have an infectious disease

41. (p. 65-66) You arrive at the home of an elderly woman who is lying in bed with chest pains. Which of the following methods should you use to move her from the bed to a stretcher?

- A. Direct ground lift
- B. Extremity lift
- C. Draw sheet transfer
- D. Human crutch move

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

42. (p. 35) An effective, healthy way to manage job stress is to

**<u>A.</u>** listen to music or read a book during downtime.

- B. practice problem-solving skills by helping friends with their issues.
- C. develop hobbies that keep you busy during time away from work.
- D. eat comfort/junk foods that make you happy.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management

43. (p. 38) If you were not wearing gloves while working with a patient and had contact with blood or bodily fluids, you should wash your hands for at least

- A. 30 seconds
- B. 1 minute
- C. 2 minutes
- **D.** 5 minutes

Blooms: Knowledge

Difficulty: Hard

Educational Standards: NEMSES Clinical Behaviors and Judgments: Scene Safety: Ensure the safety of the rescuer and others during an emergency.

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Standard safety precautions

44. (p. 66) Your neighbor fell out of a tree. He says that his back has a burning sensation and that he heard something "pop" when he hit the ground. You should

A. move him into a Fowler's position so that he is a bit more comfortable.

**B.** avoid moving him until a full assessment is complete.

- C. put him in a semi-Fowler's position to keep his legs and spine straight.
- D. place him in the recovery position to minimize his back pain.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Trauma: Head, Facial, Neck, and Spine Trauma: Recognition and management of: Spine

trauma

45. (p. 49) Another name for the pelvic curvature of the adult spine is

A. thoracic.

B. lumbar.

C. sacral.

D. cervical.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Anatomy and Physiology

46. (p. 32) Which of the following is an example of a psychosocial stressor that you may encounter on the job?

- A. Life-and-death decision making
- B. Demanding physical work
- C. Confined work spaces
- **D.** Incompatibility with a partner

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management

47. (p. 46) A caller told the dispatcher that his daughter had tried to commit suicide and that her wrist was bleeding profusely. He also said that she refused to give him the razor she used or allow him to bandage her arm. When you arrive on the scene, you should

**<u>A.</u>** wait for law enforcement to secure the scene before you enter.

- B. put on personal protective equipment before entering the scene.
- C. enter the residence and assess immediate life threats.
- D. establish a prearranged panic code with dispatch and your partner.

Blooms: Problem Solving Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management

48. (p. 50) You are on a call at a high-rise apartment building. The patient needs to be transported to the hospital. Which of the following should you do when you and your partner are carrying her down the stairs?

- A. Flex at the waist and bend at the knees while carrying her.
- B. Carry her head-first so that you can check in with her as you go downstairs.
- C. Keep the weight and your arms close to your body.
- D. Keep your knees in a locked position to get strong back support.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

49. (p. 75) During a lunchtime discussion when you and a coworker are alone, she tells you that she has just been diagnosed with terminal cancer and has only a few months to live. You should

**<u>A.</u>** listen quietly to her concerns and let her talk about her thoughts and feelings.

- B. try to be a good friend and distract her from her grief by telling jokes and stories.
- C. remind her that doctors find new treatments for diseases every day and you know she'll beat it.
- D. ask her if she has told her family and friends yet and what their reaction was.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Hard

Educational Standards: NEMSES Clinical Behaviors and Judgments: Therapeutic communication and cultural competency: Communicates to obtain and clearly transmit information with an awareness of cultural differences.

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Therapeutic Communication

50. (p. 61) You and your partner must perform a direct ground lift. You should place yourselves at the

A. neck and ankles.

B. neck and thighs.

C. chest and thighs.

D. chest and ankles.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

51. (p. 72) The five stages of grief, as described by Elizabeth Kubler-Ross, include Denial, Anger, Bargaining, Acceptance, and

A. Frustration.

B. Anxiety.

C. Depression.

D. Rage.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management: Dealing with death and dying

52. (p. 33) The "Fight-or-Flight" response system prepares the body to

**A.** protect itself.

B. adjust to stress.

C. become aware of stressors.

D. release chemicals in the body.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Stress management

- 53. (p. 55) A one-person arm carry is also known as a
- A. pack-strap carry.
- B. piggyback carry.
- **C.** cradle carry.
- D. firefighter's carry.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

- 54. (p. 52) To avoid injury when pushing or pulling a patient, you should
- A. pull, rather than push, whenever possible.
- **B.** keep your back straight to prevent injuries.
- C. push at a level between your waist and your knees.
- D. keep elbows straight and arms close to your sides.

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

- 55. (p. 31) You have noticed that your coworker has less energy lately and is slurring his words. You have also noticed his hands shaking. He admits that he's having trouble concentrating, forgets things easily, is very emotional, and has headaches frequently. You suspect he may be suffering from
- **A.** sleep deprivation.
- B. substance abuse.
- C. poor nutritional habits.
- D. lack of regular aerobic exercise.

Blooms: Application Difficulty: Medium

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients

56. (p. 68) What type of stretcher is hinged and opens at the head and feet to fit around and under the patient?

- A. Portable stretcher
- B. Basket stretcher
- C. Scoop stretcher
- D. Flexible stretcher

Blooms: Knowledge Difficulty: Easy

Educational Standards: NEMSES Competencies: Preparatory: Workforce Safety and Wellness: Lifting and moving patients