

Malamed: Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office, 6th Edition

Test Bank

Chapter 1: Introduction

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. Factors that may increase the likelihood of a life-threatening emergency in the dental office include:
 - a. a pretreatment physical evaluation of each patient
 - b. therapeutic advances in the medical profession
 - c. a medical history questionnaire
 - d. modifications in dental treatment to minimize medical risks

2. McCarthy has estimated that through the effective implementation of stress reduction procedures, all but about ___% of life-threatening situations in the dental office can be prevented.
 - a. 40
 - b. 30
 - c. 25
 - d. 20
 - e. 10

3. An entirely stress induced emergency situation that does not involve pre-existing medical conditions:
 - a. vasodepressor syncope
 - b. most acute cardiovascular emergencies
 - c. seizures
 - d. bronchospasm (asthma)

4. The most commonly reported emergency in private practice dentistry is:
 - a. hyperventilation
 - b. syncope
 - c. postural hypotension
 - d. asthmatic attack (bronchospasm)

5. According to Matsuura, when do most emergency situations related to dentistry occur?
 - a. In the waiting room before treatment
 - b. during or immediately following administration of local anesthetic
 - c. during dental treatment

- d. in the office, but after treatment is completed
 - e. at home after treatment
6. The dental treatment most commonly performed at the time of an emergency complication is:
- a. apicoectomy
 - b. pulp extirpation
 - c. tooth preparation
 - d. tooth extraction
7. Each year in the United States, 10% of all nonaccidental deaths occur suddenly and unexpectedly in relatively young persons believed to be in good health. The usual cause is:
- a. stroke
 - b. cardiac dysrhythmia
 - c. acute myocardial infarction
 - d. hepatic lipidosis
8. McCarthy estimates that _____ treatment-related deaths will occur throughout the career of the typical dental practitioner.
- a. one or two
 - b. four
 - c. a half-dozen
 - d. sixteen
9. Monitoring of which of the following major organ systems in older patients is of particular significance for the dental practitioner?
- a. hepatic
 - b. renal
 - c. pulmonary
 - d. central nervous
 - e. cardiovascular
10. The leading cause of death in persons over 65 years in the United States is:
- a. malignant neoplasms
 - b. cerebrovascular diseases
 - c. diseases of the heart
 - d. chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
 - e. pneumonia and influenza