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Mental Health Nursing
Class Preparation
Schizophrenia

1. What are positive symptoms of Schizophrenia? Describe at least three.

   - Delusions are false personal beliefs.
   - Magical thinking is where one's thoughts or behaviors have control over specific situations.
   - Hallucinations are false sensory perceptions not associated with real external stimuli.

2. What are negative symptoms of Schizophrenia? Describe at least three.

   - Social isolation is when the person avoids other people and isolates themselves from anxiety.
   - Apathy is a complete lack of emotion about a human being, a thing or an activity.
   - Posturing is the voluntary assumption of inappropriate of bizarre postures.

3. List three Conventional Antipsychotics and their main side effects.

   - Types: Haloperidol, Pimozide, and Loxapine.
   - Acute Dystonia: severe spasms of tongue, neck, face, or back (tongue and jaw first), drooling
   - Parkinsonism- bradykinesia, rigidity, shuffling gait, drooling, tremors
   - Tardive dyskinesia (TD)- movement disturbance: slip smacking, sucking, puckering, tongue protrusion, worm-like movements in the tongue, and chewing.
   - Akathisia: internal & external restlessness (pacing or fidgeting).
   - Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome: sudden high-grade fever, BP fluctuations, tachycardia, muscle rigidity, diaphoresis, drooling, change in LOC, coma.

4. List three Atypical Antipsychotics and their main side effects.

   - Types: Clozapine, Risperidone, and Olanzapine.
   - S/E: Weight gain, diabetes, dyslipidemia, (Clozapine) agranulocytosis. Minimal to no EPS symptoms.

5. What is the difference between Conventional antipsychotics and atypical antipsychotics?

   Conventional antipsychotics treat only positive symptoms, while atypical treat both positive and negative symptoms.