

Virtual SIM Week 1 Scenario-

It is currently 0730, you are a nurse who normally works in CICU that has been pulled to the emergency department (ED) to help with overflow patients. While you are in the ED, the charge nurse informs you that you will be getting the next patient in triage, a 49-year-old female, to room 11. Their main complaint is jaw pain and nausea X2 days. The ED physician has been notified and the patient has been brought back to your room. Patient is Judy Jensen 7/23/1970.

Answer the following questions:

What is your first impression of this patient? What do you think might be going on?

My first impression is that she is a little older and has a main complaint of pain and nausea for the past 2 days, I think there might be some type of cardiac problem. Considering cardiac problems with women are usually atypical symptoms such as jaw pain.

What other information do you want from the patient?

What were you doing when the pain started? What is the pain level? Are you having pain anywhere else? History of any illnesses? Are you taking any medications? Do you smoke? Do you drink?

What diagnostic tests would you like run on this patient?

EKG, CBC, ABG, CT, MRI

What focused assessments do you want to perform?

Cardiovascular, Pain, Respiratory

What interventions do you want to perform? What interventions do you think you might need to do if your tests come back positive?

Get an IV started, get vitals signs, might even get equipment prepared to put her on oxygen

What medications, if any, do you want to give or anticipate needing to give?

Pain medication like Morphine, possibly beta-blockers or calcium channel blockers, nitroglycerin